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ALLIES SUFFER REVERSE ALONG THE AISNE NEAR SOISSONS AND LOSE THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS

French Official Report Recounts Losses, But Minimizes Result of German Advance—Battle Lasted Continually for Over Two Days—Flooding of River Aisne Prevented Reinforcement of Troops.

EMPEROR WILLIAM HIMSELF WAS PRESENT DURING OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN FRANCE

Petrograd Claims Progress on the Lower Vistula, Where German Cavalry Repulsed—Fighting Largely Composed of Skirmishes and Artillery Duels Along the Other Fronts—British Drop Bombs on Antwerp.

A reverse of the Allies along the Aisne in the neighborhood of Soissons is admitted in the latest French official statement, although the possible effect of the German advance is officially minimized.

After continuous engagements, which lasted nearly two days, the Germans forced the French to yield in front of Vregny, east of Crou. The French war office explains that the flooding of the river Aisne destroyed several bridges and thus rendered precarious the communications of the troops operating on the right bank. These troops were withdrawn, as it was thought impossible to send reinforcements to their support.

"The success is a partial one for our adversaries," said the French statement, "but will have no influence on the operations as a whole."

Emperor William himself was present at these operations, which resulted in capture of several thousand French prisoners and were continued through January 12 and 13.

Petrograd claims progress on the right bank of Lower Vistula, where the German cavalry was repulsed. On the other front the fighting is made up largely of skirmishes and artillery duels.

The general staff of the Russian Caucasus army devotes a statement to operations in Azerbaijan, where it is explained it became expedient to regroup the Russian forces, necessitating evacuation of certain places previously occupied. No important action took place.

British aviators early in the week dropped bombs on the German position in Antwerp, according to a Netherlands newspaper. The damage has not been ascertained.

Eighteen Russian generals have been discharged from important positions, according to the Hamburg Fremdemblatt.

Geneva reports that members of the Austrian nobility and aristocracy and Viennese financiers are depositing large sums of money in Switzerland, and also giving orders for purchase of quantities of ammunition supplies.

Secretary Bryan has acknowledged in a friendly spirit receipt of the preliminary British reply to the American protest against treatment accorded neutral commerce by British warships. No comment is made by the Secretary in view of the fact that it is Great Britain's intention to reply later in detail.

FRENCH ADMIT LOSSES

Forced to Leave Several Cannon—Large Number of Prisoners Taken.

Paris, Jan. 14.—The following official communication was issued at the war office tonight:

"Last night our troops were successful in a sudden attack with the object of overwhelming the trenches recently constructed by the Germans to the Northeast of Fouquescourt, North of Roye (department of the Somme).

"The attacks of the enemy in the region to the North of Soissons, have been stopped.

"As has been said in the communication of this morning, the flooding of the river Aisne, which destroyed several of our bridges, had rendered very precarious the communications of our troops operating on the first slopes of the right bank. We were thus prevented from sending them reinforcements. This has been the essential cause of the withdrawal of those troops which were fighting under difficult conditions.

"We were obliged to abandon several cannon as the result of the breaking down of a bridge. We have rendered all of them unfit for use.

"Germans have made many prisoners, particularly of wounded men who in the withdrawal movement, we were not able to take with us. On our side we have made a number of important prisoners, not wounded, belonging to seven different regiments.

"To sum up the success is a partial one for our adversaries, which will have no influence on operations as a whole. in fact, by reason of the obstacles presented by the Aisne and the dispositions which we have taken, the enemy will be unable to utilize to the South of the river the success which is of purely local character.

"On the rest of the front there is nothing to report."

EMPEROR WILLIAM PRESENT

German Emperor Saw Defeat of French Forces—Prisoners Taken.

Berlin, Jan. 14 (by Wireless to London).—Emperor William was present in person during the spirited battle on the Vregny Plain, northeast of Soissons, which resulted yesterday in that elevated ground being cleared of the French and which was described in the German official statement today as a "brilliant feat for our troops." In the engagement the Germans claimed to have captured 14 French officers and 3,150 men.

The German headquarters staff today announced:

"The total results of the fights on January 12, and 13 Northeast of Soissons were 3,150 prisoners, eight heavy guns, one revolver gun, six machine guns and much war material."

RUSSIAN LINES CHANGED

Official Report From Headquarters of Army of the Caucasus Published.

Petrograd, Jan. 14.—The official report from the Causus army issued tonight follows:

"To avoid any false understanding of our operations in Azerzaijan during the last few days the general staff of the Caucasus army deems it expedient to give the following explanation:

"From the beginning of the decisive action in the principal region of this theatre of the war, it appeared necessary to regroup our troops. In accordance with this we proceeded in Azerbaijan to concentrate our troops at certain places which demanded the evacuation of several points we had occupied previously.

"This pre-arrangement of our forces was not under pressume of the enemy, but in accordance with a specially devised plan. During this operation no important action took place, except an engagement which our advance guard had near Miandous. Thus we did not evacuate Azerbaijan, but adopted changes in position in answering better the new developments."

NAVAHOE CARRIES COTTON TO BREMEN

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 14.—The Clyde steamer Navahoe sailed today for Bremen, Germany, with a cargo of cotton. She has 4,000 bales on board and was loaded under the supervision of inspectors from the British consul's office here. Her hatches were battened and stamped with the British government seal.

HOBSON DELIVERS A FIERY ADDRESS

Says National Liquor Forces Dominate in Washington.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Will Use His Frank to Fight for National Prohibition—Addresses by Other Prominent Speakers. Banquet Held.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—In his address before the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League tonight, Congressman Richmond P. Hobson charged that the National administration at Washington and the dominant forces in Congress are dominated by the national liquor forces, as evidenced by the fact that they refused to entertain his amendment to the War Revenue bill to cut out tax on liquors as an iniquitous source of revenue.

He declared the fight now is for Congress to submit to the states the question of a National prohibition amendment to the constitution, and predicted this will come certainly by 1920 and then all candidates and platforms, State and National, of all parties, will be required in 1916 to declare a position as to the National prohibition movement.

He said he has until next December to use his congressional postage frank. He proposes to issue personal letters and copies of his latest speech to at least 15,000,000 people in that time and wants North Carolinians to help him by undertaking to send these to their personal acquaintances with his mailing frank as he could supply it.

He said he might, as his enemies insisted, be politically dead, but he had rather be politically dead and lead the prohibition fight as he is, than to be President and bound up with the liquor forces.

Officers Elected.

The North Carolina Anti-Saloon League this afternoon elected as president A. W. McAllister, of Greensboro, to succeed J. A. Hartness, of Statesville. Dr. L. E. M. Freeman was chosen secretary, and Henry Young, of Raleigh, auditor. The association heard a strong address by Dr. W. L. Poteat, of Wake Forest College, and another by Dr. A. J. Barton, of Texas, both be-

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COTTON EXPORTS HAVE BECOME NEAR NORMAL

December Figures Nearly Equal Those of Year Ago

Figures for the Entire Five Months of Season, However, Over Fifty Per cent. Below Total for Same Period Year Ago.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Cotton exports became almost normal during December 1,202,115 bales having been sent abroad, compared with 1,230,830 bales in December, 1913. Exports for the first five months of the cotton year, however, showed a decrease of more than 50 per cent. from the same period of 1913, the total being 2,607,164 bales compared with 5,437,480 bales.

Of the month's exports the United Kingdom and Italy both showed increases over December, 1913, the former by almost 100,000 bales and Italy by about 120,000 bales. Germany's takings, however, showed a decrease of 279,000.

Cotton used in the United States during December amounted to 450,834 bales, about 5,000 bales less than in December, 1913. There were about 400,000 bales less in manufacturers' hands December 31 compared with 1913, while the quantity in independent warehouses showed an increase of almost 2,000,000 bales compared with the previous year, the amount being 5,187,877 bales.

Imports were 32,293 bales against 15,815 last year, and for the five months 100,121 against 43,899 a year ago.

Cotton spindles active numbered 30,465,968 against 31,004,716 a year ago.

Linters used was 23,928 bales against 21,933 a year ago, and for the five months 131,484 bales against 133,954 last year; on hand in manufacturing establishments 61,399 bales against 74,580 a year ago and in independent warehouses 99,606 against 44,302 a year ago.

Linters exported was 30,431 bales and for the five months 44,495 bales.

FIRE AT BATTLEBORO

Warehouse Destroyed at Loss of Approximately $15,000.

Battleboro, N. C., Jan. 14.—Fire which destroyed a warehouse owned by M. P. Braswell here last night for a time threatened to destroy the entire town. The flames were confined to the warehouse after considerable effort. The loss is estimated at about $15,000.

PROTEST DIRECT TO GENERAL CARRANZA

Concerning Treatment of Foreign Interests at Tampico.

ASSESSMENT IS LEVIED

Oil Well Owners Called Upon to Pay Large Sums to Mexican Faction—Doubt as to Gutierrez Being Continued in Office.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Secretary Bryan has sent a vigorous protect direct to the Carranza authorities at Tampico against their threat to close the great oil wells in that vicinity because the foreign operators refused to pay a heavy assessment levied by the Mexicans. The matter also has been brought to the attention of General Carranza himself.

Most of the oil plants are owned by American and British capital. There have been several complaints against degrees of the Carranza officials, reports coming directly from State Department representatives as well as through the interested foreign embassies. Latest advices indicated that the Mexicans were preparing summarily to shut down all of the plants unless the money demanded was forthcoming.

Doubt as to whether General Gutierrez had been continued by the convention at Mexico City as provisional president, existed today at the State Department. A telegram from Mexico City announced that the chairman of the convention late Tuesday night gave out a notice "that the convention had concluded and would continue President Gutierrez in office, "but for some unknown reason the notice was recalled.

Denial at Washington.

General Palafox, member of the Gutierrez cabinet, denied in a statement received at the State Department from Mexico City, that he had any intention, in a previous public statement, of charging American Consul Silliman and Leon J. Canova, a State Department agent, with having received any amount of money to take General Iturbide out of the country.

The Carranza agency here issued this statement:

"General Carranza from Vera Cruz denies Tampico is threatened by a Villa force, and says officers of the gunboat Guerrero reported deserting to Gutierrez forces are still loyal, Gen. Pablo Gonzales took Valles on the outskirts of San Luis Potosi."

The Carranza agency here tonight made public this telegram from Laredo:

"Gen. Luis Gutierrez wired Nuevo Laredo today that the Villistas are evacuating Saltillo and retreating towards San Luis Potosi. He reports that the Villista force was under command of General Angeles and numbered only 6,000 men."

WARM DEBATE ON BRYAN INVITATION

Cooper Resolution Finally is Adopted by Both Houses.

TO SPEAK JANUARY 30

State-Wide Primary Bill Introduced in the House—Bill to Repeal "Long and Short Haul" Clause of Justice Act Introduced.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14. — Both houses of the General Assembly had stirring debates over joint resolutions for the invitation of Secretary of State W. J. Bryan to address the Assembly, January 30, and against the precedent of extending invitations for any persons to address the Legislature. The Bryan invitation resolution is ready for ratification tomorrow, and the resolution against the principle of extending such invitations went to appropriate committees for later report and action.

Senator W. B. Cooper offered the resolution to invite Bryan in the Senate. It passed without opposition. Then Senator Johnson, of Duplin, moved to reconsider the vote, but this was lost—20 to 19. Then Senator Johnson offered the resolution against the principle of extending invitations as opening the way for special pleaders to procure such invitations. It went to committee.

In the House the Senate resolution inviting Bryan came over and finally passed — 72 to 33 — after opposition led by Hutchinson, of Mecklenburg, and Allen, of Wayne. A motion by Allen that the vote be incorporated in the invitation to Bryan was withdrawn. Hutchison offered the resolution against extending invitations.

In the House, Vann, of Union county, offered a Statewide primary bill similar to that offered in the Senate yesterday by Senator McNeely.

Senator Ward introduced in the Senate a bill to repeal the "long and short clause" of the Justice intra-state freight rate act. The general expectation is that the bill will have easy sailing in both houses.

A bill by Senator Weaver empowers the State committee on providing a statue of Governor Zebulon B. Vance, in Statuary Hall, at the National capitol, to set up either a marble or bronze stone, instead of limiting it to marble as the original resolution does, artists advising that bronze will best develop features of strong men, and cost possibly $2,000 less than a marble statue would.

Governor Craig and Council of State have just approved the selection of Gutzon Borgium, of New York, as the artist, the statue to cost not exceeding

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SECRETARY BRYAN CHARGED WITH LENDING EAR TO WALL STREET IN SULLIVAN MATTER

William E. Pulliam, Receiver-General for Santo Domingo, During Taft Administration, a Witness at New York, and Charges Secretary of State With Listening to the Financial Interests in This Country.

New York, Jan. 14.—Assertions that changes made by the present Washington administration in the personnel of this government's officials in the Dominican Republic were due to the influence of interests seeking to exploit that country's finances were made today at the inquiry conducted by Senator-elect Phelan, of California, to determine whether James M. Sullivan, the American minister, is fit to hold his post.

Secretary of State Bryan was accused of lending ear in appointing Sullivan, to the Samuel M. Jarvis coterie of New York financiers who controlled the Banco Nacional at Santo Domingo. This institution was alleged to have been an institution without standing on the island, and which sought to obtain the deposit of customs duties, whose collection is administered by the United States and other government funds.

William E. Pulliam, receiver general of the customs at Santo Domingo during the Taft administration, testified that F. J. R. Mitchell, president of the Banco Nacional, had published in a Dominican newspaper that W. T. S. Doule, head of the department of Latin-American affairs in the State Department, had been removed on complaint of Mitchell and that Mitchell subsequently had said to him:

"I told you so. There'll be several other changes and they'll extend to Santo Domingo."

Makes Second Forecast.

In June, 1913, Mitchell came to him again, he said, and told him that Russell, American minister under Taft, was not returning.

"He told me," the witness testified, "that if I were a good guesser he'd tell me the name of the next minister. It ends with an 'N' he said."

That Secretary Bryan at that time had a high opinion of Sullivan was evidenced by a letter placed on the record by Walter W. Vick, who succeeded Pulliam as receiver general, and who after his removal instigated the present investigation.

Pulliam further testified that he had warned Assistant Secretary of State Osborne in July 1913 "under no circumstances to have anything to do with the Banco Nacional crowd" and had explained the character of the institution to him, and that it was seeking to exploit Dominican finances.

"I was surprised and incensed," he said, "that such a coterie got to Bryan's ear. I was sorry to see the receivership of customs made the subject of political exploitation. For eight years the receivership had been operated without trouble and the difficulties that later arose were unquestionably caused by Sullivan's transferring the funds to the Banco Nacional. That was what they wanted. They had no funds. They wanted to establish credit for themselves. The bank was a joke."

Funds Were Transferred.

Pulliam said he had no doubt that the Jarvis interests were responsible for his removal. It developed, according to the testimony that the customs funds eventually were transferred to the Michelena bank, the original depositary, an institution supposed to represent the National City Bank, of New York, and in this connection Pulliam said that on July 16th in company with Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, he saw Secretary Bryan in Washington.

"This is what Mr. Bryan told the senator," testified the witness.

"My objection to Pulliam is that he was entirely too friendly with Michelana.'

"I said: 'Now that your administration has been forced to put back the funds into the Michelana bank, don't you think I have been vindicated?'

"He evaded the question."

"Did Mr. Bryan appear to be obscessed with the belief that the power behind Michelana was the National City Bank, which represented to him the

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QUICK AND THE DEAD LIE BURIED BENEATH RUINS OF DWELLINGS

Estimate of Aggregate Fatalities Unobtainable—Will Reach Many Thousands.

MANY TOWNS LEVELLED

School Children Buried Alive When Building Collapsed. Relief Work Beginning.

King Emmanuel Directs Work of Relief in Avezzano.

Rome, Jan. 15.—Demolished or partly demolished towns dot Italy from Naples northward to Ferrara and crosswise the peninsula from Tyrrhenian to the Adriatic sea, over which Wednesday's earthquake passed.

Thousands of dead lie beneath the debris of dwellings, churches and public institutions which crumbled under the earth's vibrations.

Not even an estimate of the aggregate fatalities is obtainable as numerous places are still isolated owing to the severance of telegraphic, telephonic and railroad communication. It is known, however, that Avezzano is a necropolis and that also in Sora, some 25 miles to the southeast, a large number of lives were lost.

In Avezzano and vicinity it is estimated that 15,000 perished and that the dead in Sora will total 1,000.

So far as known about 20 tons have been completely levelled, while almost an equal number suffered serious damage. In all these places many were killed or injured.

Volunteers worked heroically all day endeavoring to extricate wounded or rescue the dead from ruins.

King Victor Emmanuel himself directed the work at Avezzano where the piteous appeals of persons caught beneath wreckage could be plainly heard.

Hundreds Buried Alive.

It is estimated that in Avezzano 400 persons are buried alive, some of them school children in an institution which collapsed.

Only four soldiers of the garrison of 400 in Avezzano escaped when the barracks fell.

Sora with its population of 20,000 was almost entirely destroyed. All municipal and government authorities perished. Four hundred and fifty bodies already have been taken from the ruins there and a large number of injured are under treatment.

Trains from the east are bringing hundreds of injured into Rome, where they are being taken to hospitals and private homes for treatment. Surgeons and nurses are being dispatched from all directions into the stricken districts to minister to the needs of the injured, while troops are being sent to the ruined or damaged towns to guard against vandals.

Among the towns which are said to have been virtually destroyed are Avezzano, Sora, Capelle, Magliano, Marse, Massadalbe, Collarmele, Gerehio, Celano, Lelli, Patrerno, San Felino, Giosamarsi, Scurcola, Capistrello, Antrosano and Castronovme, while Pescina, Ortonamarsi, Samtelimo, San Benedetto, Artucchio, Cocullo, Besigna, Balsorano, Canistro, Civitellandantino, Castellafiumi, Pagliotra and Sorbo are badly damaged.

From many other places, come reports of slighter damage and minor casualties.

Death's Toll Increases.

The toll of dead and injured in the great earthquake which has swept over central and southern Italy, has not been made up, but advices reaching Rome indicate the ever-growing extent of the disaster.

Towns with its inhabitants have been overthrown and from some of these come details which show an immense loss of life. Estimates ran tonight from 25,000 to 50,000 dead and injured and yet there are several sections which undoubtedly felt the earthquake in full measure from which no estimates can be obtained.

In the ancient territory of Marsi, which includes Avezzano the victims are placed at 20,000. Only a small minority is left of the inhabitants of Avezzano who numbered approximately 10,000.

Fifteen other towns and villages in that section have been laid waste, King Victor Emmanuel is at Avezzano and 30,000 soldiers have been dispatched to various centers where the force of the disturbance was greatest.

Whole Nation Aids.

Italy as a nation has arisen again to give succor, as she did at the time of the Messina earthquake six years ago, to those who have fallen in this latest catastrophe from which the country has suffered.

While the greater part of the damage was done by the first earthquake which occurred Wednesday morning at 7:55 there has been at least one severe shock since then which resulted in the collapse of many structures which escaped the first and it is estimated that more than one hundred shocks, for the most part of amino r nature occurred during the 24 hours after the disaster.

AVEZZANO IN RUINS

Recently a Great City, Now Like a Cemetery—Thousands Under Ruins.

Avezzano, (via Rome), Jan. 14.—Avezzano is filled with dead, wounded and wrecked houses. It is like the ruins of a cemetery.

Those who escaped the destruction caused by earthquake went heroically to work to rescue those penned under the fallen walls.

Nearly all the civic officials of Avezzano and parish priests, monks and

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WHEAT PRICES HIGHEST ON MARKET IN YEARS

Flour Prices Advance—Wheat Shortage Predicted.

Five European Nations Active Buyers on Chicago Market—England Has Only 60-Day Supply. May Enter Market.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Generally accepted assertions that unless the European demand soon diminishes the United States would have no wheat to ship abroad after March lifted the price of that cereal here to $1.43 3-8, the highest in many years. Retail flour prices rose simultaneously, sacks which recently sold for 70 cents going to 90 cents.

Five European governments were reported today to be active in the wheat market on this side of the Atlantic, in addition to individual buyers from foreign fields. The result was figured to be exportation at the rate of 8,000,000 to 10,000,00 bushels a week.

The governments which are direct purchasers in the United States are the Swiss, Greek, Italian, Dutch and French. So far the British government has done nothing as a government, but Great Britain's food supply is said here to be down to a 60 days' basis and if Great Britain as a government, should enter the market, the result, would be hard to foresee.

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TO ELECT SUCCESSOR TO SUPERINTENDENT COLE.

Trustees of Methodist Orphanage to Meet January 21st.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—Chairman Joseph G. Brown, of the board of trustees of the North Carolina Methodist Orphanage, has called a meeting of the board to be held in this city January 21 for the purpose more especially of selecting a new superintendent to succeed Dr. J. N. Cole, who died recently in a Charlotte hospital.

It is understood that there are just one more candidates for the position being especially mentioned than there are members of the board of trustees so that every member can advocate a different candidate and still there will be one to spare.

BRITISH PRESS COMMENT.

Several Papers Think Germany Arranged Situation to Involve America.

London, Jan. 14.—The Post today emphasizes the seriousness of issues

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THREE GOVERNORS WITHIN FIVE DAYS

Blease of South Carolina Resigns His Office.

ACCEPTED BY ASSEMBLY

Retiring Executive Leaves Lieutenant Governor to Hold Office Until Next Tuesday When Governor-Elect Takes Oath.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 14.—Cole L. Blease today retired as South Carolina's Governor, five days before his second term of two years would have ended. His resignation, sent to Secretary of State McCown, was supplemented by a brief message to the general assembly informing the members that it also was tendered to them.

Some members of the house of representatives and senate cheered the announcement of the Governor's resignation. No formal action was necessary and by direction of the presiding officers in the two houses, the message was only as information.

Lieutenant Governor Charles A. Smith was immediately sworn in as the state's chief executive to serve out the unexpired term, Chief Justice Gary, of the state supreme court, administering the oath of office. Mr. Blease and several state officials then accompanied Mr. Smith to the Governor's office. LeGrad G. Walker, president of the senate, automatically succeeded to the lieutenant governorship.

Came as a Surprise.

No previous intimation of the Governor's action had been given and no reason for it was assigned. The present legislature is chiefly composed of men who are his political opponents and it was said that proposals to institute impeachment proceedings against him were made at a meeting of legislators Tuesday night but that no action was taken.

"I hereby resign my office as Governor of South Carolina," was the full communication of Governor Blease to the secretary of state. It was written by hand and in red ink. Both the Governor and his friends refused to add anything to the brief statement. The message to the General Assembly was equally terse, it simply saying "I hereby tender my resignation to you as Governor of the state of South Carolina."

Governor-elect Richard I. Manning will be inaugurated next Tuesday. He has been a political opponent of Mr. Blease and defeated Lieutenant Governor Smith, endorsed by Governor Blease, for the Democratic nomination last August.

Mr. Blease at that time, was defeated for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator by Ellison D. Smith, the incumbent.

Governor Blease, sometimes called "The Story Petrel of South Carolina," was accounted one of the most picturesque figures in American public life. Original in conception and daring in execution, his administration has been marked by many unusual actions. Numerous grants of clemency to state prisoners, public statements which were construed to mean that he was opposed to using state troops to prevent the lynching of negroes when they attacked white women and the recent disbanding of the South Carolina National Guard helped make his official career notable.

"I love the pardoning power," he once said. "I want to give the poor devils another chance. I hope to make the number an even thousand before I go out of office."

Over a Thousand Pardons.

Records show that the Governor surpassed even his own expectations. Just before retiring today he issued 27 clemency grants. Four men sentenced to life imprisonment for murder were paroled and four others received commutations. Most of the remaining number were given commutations. Todays' action made a total of 1,708 prisoners granted clemency during the Governor's four years' administration.

Full pardons recently were granted approximately 1,000 prisoners who previously had been paroled, this action restoring their citizenship. Superintendent D. J. Griffith of the state penitentiary, said tonight that less than one hundred prisoners are now held there.

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nuns, perished. The college, with more than a hundred girl students, collapsed. The governor prisons, jailers and doctors and patients in the hospitals were carried down in the wreckage.

The only notable person who survived was the head of the police, Signor Ottavi, who though wounded, has labored since the first overthrow to succor the injured.

Urgent appeals for help are heard on all sides, from under the wrecked buildings but the efforts of Ottavi and the few hundred survivors have availed but little, for they lacked implements with which to effect a general rescue. But about 50 persons, all of them wounded, were taken out with great difficulty. They lay without shelter and without their wounds being dressed owing to a lack of medical supplies.

Later doctors arrived and operated on some of the injured by the light of blazing torches. They then were removed to the station, where they were made as comfortable as possible in trucks.

Assistance came at last from Arsoli and Aquila and large rescuing parties arrived from Rome and Pescara.

Soldiers on Guard.

Thirty thousand soldiers have been distributed throughout the earthquake district and already large quantities of provisions and clothing, together with wood for the construction of huts have arrived.

A tour of the towns and villages around Lake Fucino disclosed vast destruction.

Magliano in the territory of the Marsi, seems to have been ripped open. Its historic belfry which rose about 300 feet collapsed. In the church below all the chapels were ruined except that of the Savior, where an immense crucifix is standing intact. Everything about is scattered and broken.

At Pescina the cathedral belfry and the house of the bishop have entirely disappeared. No trace of Monsignor Bagnoli, the bishop of Pescina, and 20 Carmelites living with him has been found and it is feared that all have perished.

The work of rescue at Avezzano was carried on with much greater vigor this afternoon by soldiers and workmen who arrived from all sections but still despairing appeals could be heard from those buried.

One boy was found uninjured inside a stove.

Two nuns were rescued from a cellar an dan old man was taken from the basement of a house where he had been protected by a wardrobe which had fallen across the wall.

TRAIN THROWN FROM TRACK

Passenger Describes Affect of Earthquake—Alive Under Ruins.

London, Jan. 14.—A passenger on a train which was thrown from the track by the earthquake, thus relates his experiences in a Central News dispatch from Rome:

"Our train was near Lake Fucide. There was one shock of great violence followed by three others. The train was thrown off the rails and many passengers injured.

"'I climbed out and gazed around. Where there had been towns I could merely see enormous whirlwinds of dust and smoke. Apparently the towns existed no longer."

The dispatch adds that almost all the way to Tivoli buildings along the railway were in ruins. Troops sent from Rome rescued hundreds of persons but in many cases, cries for help were heard from beneath ruins buildings where it was impossible to effect a speedy release of the victims.

It is estimated that 4,000 persons were buried alive under the wreckage at Avezzano. Throughout the night shouts for help could be heard. Collapse of a school building buried 200 children, many of whom still are alive.

It is stated that of 400 soldiers in the Avezzano barracks, when it collapsed, only four escaped.

HOBSON DELIVERS A FIERY ADDRESS

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ing powerful presentations of phases of the prohibition movement as state and national issues.

There was much discussion of controlling the sale of malt in this State, the contention being that it is only purchased by illicit distillers and that there should be legal machinery to keep track of dealers and all sales of the product. The matter was referred to the legislative committee.

The members of the convention shared a banquet this evening complimentary to the members of the Legislature, quite a number of both senators and representatives attending.

The convention closed tonight with an address by Rev. George W. McDaniels, of Richmond, "A Voice from Virginia," and by Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama, leader of the movement in Congress for National prohibition.

No Specific Bill Adopted.

The league this morning adopted resolutions providing for a special committee to press before the Legislature whatever changes in the State prohibition laws are to be urged upon the present Legislature. It was decided not to adopt definitely the bill that had been prepared for prohibiting the delivery of liquors in this State for beverage purposes. Instead, the resolution was adopted providing that in view of recent court decisions in the State and the Federal courts, there be appointed a committee to draft whatever legislation is necessary to make North Carolina's prohibition law most effective. The committee consists of W. H. Weatherspoon, of Scotland county; J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; C. H. Ireland, Greensboro; R. L. Davis, Raleigh; Dr. R. T. Vann, Raleigh; Judge J. C. Pritchard, Asheville; W. T. Shaw, Weldon.

Stirring Address by Weatherspoon.

The convention heard a stirring address by W. H. Weatherspoon, of Scotland county, on "Needed Legislation and How to Secure It," in which he urged most especially that whatever bills are asked to be passed through the present Legislature, be drawn with that care that there will be left no loop holes through which enemies of legislation can overturn the acts or any features thereof through ingenious litigation. He pointed out that the cause of prohibition had lost out in the matter of the High Point case purely through inaccurate preparation of the bill which would have just as surely passed in proper and binding form as in the loose condition that it was passed to be later deprived of its effectiveness in the courts. The convention was so well pleased with Mr. Weatherspoon's address and positions he took that he was made the chairman of the legislative committee.

Dr. Barton Speaks.

The convention heard Rev. A. J. Barton, of Waco, Texas, on the nation-wide scope of prohibition, in which he declared that the death knell is already sounded of the liquor traffic throughout the nation. He referred to a conversation he had with Secretary of State W. J. Bryan, in which the Secretary declared his conviction that prohibition in the nation is a certainty and his purpose to prepare for an early issue of The Commoner an analysis of the vote in Congress, to show that this is the case.

WARM DEBATE ON BRYAN INVITATION

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$10,500, and to be completed within 13 months. The committee having the placing of the statue in hand consists of Judge W. A. Hoke, Clement Manly, Harry Martin, Mrs. M. Van Moore and Miss Laura Carter.

Work of House Committees.

The House committee on education this evening ordered an unfavorable report, eight to seven, on the Page resolution to cut out the practice of legislative committees visiting the various State institutions at the expense of the State.

House judiciary committee No 1. voted a favorable report on the Laughinghouse bill to impose a tax equal to poll tax on revolvers, but amended it so it shall only apply to Pitt county.

Favorable reports were ordered for the Winborne bill to make debts payable immediately on the debtor disposing of any part of the security; the joint resolution for the purchase of 18 sets of Pell's Revisal; Hewett's bills to repeal Brunswick county recorder's court act and exempt Brunswick from the statute as to barbed wire fences.

The Senate Proceedings.

President Daughtridge convened the Senate at 11 o'clock with prayer by Rev. Edward Long, pastor of the Baptist church of North Wilkesboro.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Ward—Repeal section 9, chapter 20, public laws 1913, relating to the long and short haul clause of the Justice act.

McMichael—Fix minimum punishment for defaulting bank officers.

Ward (by request)—Require railroad companies to pay employes not less frequently than semi-monthly.

McCauley—Prevent the use of narrow tired wagons in Richmond and Montgomery counties.

Speight—Give the board of directors of the State's prison control of the prison and its affairs.

Thompson, of Iredell—Incorporate Davenport college.

Weaver—Amend resolution providing for the statue of Vance to be placed in Statuary Hall, Washington.

Thompson, of Iredell—Change the corporate name of the North Carolina School for Deaf and Dumb.

Thompson, of Iredell—Restrict operation of courts inferior to superior courts.

Secretary Bryan Invited.

Cooper—Joint resolution inviting Secretary Bryan to deliver an address to the General Assembly January 30. Rules suspended and the resolution passed without opposition.

The Senate adopted a resolution of regret at the death of W. H. Chappell, a Confederate soldier employed in the Senate.

Senator Johnson, of Duplin, lodged a motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed the resolution inviting Secretary of State Bryan to address the Legislature, explaining that his objection was that it would take too much time and was a bad precedent. Hobgood moved to table Johnson's motion, but withdrew his motion. The motion to reconsider was tabled 20 to 9.

The Senate refused to act on any bill in other than the regular order.

Senator Johnson sent forward a resolution to put an end to invitations being extended to persons to address the Legislature, on the ground that it would open the way for special pleaders for legislation.

The bill to eliminate the practice of kissing the Bible in connection with the administering of oaths, to which the Senate devoted more than an hour of discussion Wednesday, and passed on second reading, came up for final reading and was defeated 23 to 18.

Passed Final Reading.

Bill passed final reading as follows:

Amend the charter of Wake Forest College so as to enable the institution to hold as much as $5,000,000 of endowment instead of $1,000,000.

Regulate pay of commissioners of Person county.

Prohibit further levy and collection of taxes in Roseboro township, Sampson county.

Repeal public local laws relating to fishing in Duplin county.

Reduce the number of commissioners of Orange county.

Repeal the act incorporating the town of Yanceyville, Caswell county.

Authorize the commissioners of Moore county to issue bonds.

A leave of absence was granted Senator Stubbs.

Just before the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock Friday, President Daughtridge announced the following additional committees:

Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills—Senators Cloud, chairman; Ballou, Cohoon, Dixon, McNeely, Miller, Morris, Paxton, Snow, Steadman, White, McNider and Parker.

Shell Fish—Senators Cohoon, chairman; Currin, Cloud, Steadman, Stubbs, White, Snow, Johnson, of Hoke; and Fisher.

Mining—Senators Washington, chairman; Ballou, White, McAuley, Efird, McMichael, Morris, Bumgarner.

Salaries and Fees—Senators McNeely, chairman; Chatham, Cooper, Gilliam, Majette, McRae, Harding, Johnson, of Hoke, and Bumgarner.

Senate Expenditures—Senators Upchurch, chairman; Steadman, Johnson, of Duplin; Hobgood, Harding, Giles, Gardner, Dixon and Lineback.

Joint Committee on Justices of the Peace—Senators McNeely, chairman; Upchurch, Thompson, of Iredell, Stevens, Speight, Snow, Morris, McRacken and Lineback.

Revisal—Senators Harding, chairman; Gilliam, McMichael, McNeely, McRae, Nash, Polk, Stubbs, Haymore.

Joint Committee on Trustees of the University—Senators McLeod, chairman; McNeely, Nash, Upchurch, Hobgood, Harding, Johnson, of Duplin; McRae, Muse, Snow, Parker.

Joint Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds—Senators Snow, chairman; Polk, Speight, Gilliam, Atwater, Washington, Upchurch, McLeod, Lineback.

Joint Committee on Library—Senators Nash, chairman; Thompson, of Iredell; Majette, Giles, Hobgood, McNider, Dixon, McNeely and Parker.

In the House.

Speaker Wooten convened the House at 11 A. M., Rev. L. D. Robinson, of Selma, offering prayer.

Former Representatives Willard, of New Hanover; Hartness, of Iredell, and Weatherspoon, of Scotland, and ex-Speaker S. M. Gattis, of Orange, were voted the privilege of the floor.

Petitions were reported as follows:

Hoover, relating to agricultural matters; Cameron, referring to the inspection of convents, hospitals, etc.; Faircloth, repealing the dog tax act; Faircloth, by request, for the inspection of asylums, convents, etc., in all counties; Freeman, of Richmond, from railroad employes of Hamlet asking the passage of the semi-monthly wage act; Mauney, validating the bond issue of Cherryville, Gaston; Faircloth, for passage of House bill 79, relating to disbursements and salaries of county officers of Sampson.

Passed Final Reading.

The following bills passed third reading.

The act repealing the hawk scalp law of Mitchell county; the abolishment of the office of county treasurer of Johnston county; the act regulating the transferring and recording of real estate in New Hanover county.

McBryde, of Hoke, introduced a resolution requiring Pell's Revisal to be furnished Hoke and Avery counties.

Bills were introduced by the following:

Vann—Providing State-wide primary.

Dunning—An act appointing J. W. Robinson justice in Gooseneck township, Martin county.

Small—Appointing justices of the peace in Pasquotank.

Meekins—Amending chapter 977 of the local laws as to fisheries in Tyrrell county.

Bowman and Eure—Repealing acts of 1907 and 1905 as to the Board of Agriculture.

Faircloth—Providing a sinking fund for roads in Sampson.

Deaton—Providing for collection of back taxes by Sheriff Higgins, of Yadkin county. For relief of certain old soldiers.

Douglass—Amending chapter 126 of the 1913 laws for the relief of old soldiers in the State home.

Collins—Prohibiting the use of firearms by children under 14.

Cherry and Denton—Amending act relating to land grants.

Cherry—Amending the Revisal of 1905 requiring the source of nitrogen.

Valentine—Amending sections of the statute of limitations as to mortgages and deeds of trust.

Williams of Yadkin—Preventing depredations of domestic fowls in Yadkin.

Johnson—Amending chapter [illegible] relating to [illegible] drink.

the public laws exempting Roaring Creek, Avery county, from stock law territory.

Conley—Making E. C. Goforth and J. A. Haney justices in Glenwood township, McDowell county.

Vann, of Union, asked that 200 copies of his primary bill be printed for use in the House. Carried.

Against Inviting Speaker.

Representative Hutchison, of Mecklenburg, presented a resolution out of order and under suspension of the rules moved its passage. Opposition being offered, a standing vote was taken with 64 voting for the suspension and 32 against. The resolution was to place the House on record against inviting public speakers to address the General Assembly.

The clerk read the resolution which declared the precedent dangerous with possibility of great harm from special pleaders whose friends might invite them to Raleigh at State expense. He said it takes up much of the time of the House and opens the sessions to all sorts of intrusions. Representative Doughton was ready with an amendment that would exclude speakers already invited.

Bryan is Invited.

The Senate resolution that had been unanimously passed, came over. Representative Stacy asked withdrawal of the resolutions then in committees and the immediate action upon the Senate resolution.

An "aye" and "no" roll call vote gave this resolution great interest. Speaker Wooten led off with "no" but it carried 74 to 33. Representative Allen moved that this vote be forwarded Mr. Bryan in the invitation and his colleague from Wayne, Fred R. Mintz, expressing the belief that Mr. Bryan did not mind a little opposition, seconded the motion. Representative Hutchinson asked if Mr. Bryan would charge for this lecture and Representative Cameron said that Secretary Bryan will be the guest of Governor Craig and will not be in Raleigh by special invitation of the General Assembly. Representative Brockett explained his many votes for Bryan and his much admiration but said he did not understand that such an arrangement existed. Neither did Speaker Wooten. Mr. Allen, in deference to his colleague, Mr. Mintz, withdrew his motion.

House Committees.

The speaker then announced the following committees and the House adjourned:

Printing—Mayo, chairman; Wilson, Mickle, Brummitt, Hutchison, Mintz, Dean, Inscoe.

Oyster Interests—Swain, chairman; Clayton, Dunning, Small, Sell, Barco, Meekins, Puett, Dayton, Gatling, Leonard, Hendrix, Grant, Scott, Davis, Collins, Bennett, Hewett.

Regulation of Public Service Corporations—Allred, chairman; Dunning, Bowie, Roberts of Rockingham, Doughton, Brockett, Mayo, Sellers, Stacy, Kittrell, King, Gatling, Grier of Iredell, Collins, Hanes, Battle, Pegram, Vernon, Williams of Cabarrus, Dean, Blue, Foster, Roberts of Buncombe, Bost.

Propositions and Grievances—Brummitt, chairman; Allen, Bailey, Whitford, Hanes, Mickle, Nettles, Tucker, Puett, Galloway, Conley, Vann, Battle, Valentine, Ebbs, Killian of Clay, Hampton, Freeman of Mecklenburg, Renfrow, Scott, Jones, Carr, Benton, Carroll, Leonard, Faircloth, Allred, Pegram.

Public Roads and Turnpikes—Cameron, chairman; Freeman of Mecklenburg, Bowman, Johnson, Wilson, Whitford, Sellers, Valentine, Darden, Witherspoon, Freeman of Richmond, Etheridge, Hall, Hampton, Dula, Bailey, Williams of Yadkin, Alexander, Mewborne, Harrison, Macon, Galloway, Hoover, Collins, Mickle, Laughinghouse.

Salaries and Fees—Hanes, chairman; Winborne, Coughenhour, Long of Union, Smith of Orange, Mickle, Eure, Hewett, Gibbs, Bryan, Douglass, Grant, Davis, Denton, Nettles, Puett.

Regulation of Liquor Traffic—Battle, chairman; Thomas, Freeman of Mecklenburg, Killian of Catawba, Currie, Deaver, Whitford, Mayo, Hutchison, Johnson, Allred, Renfrow, Tucker, Mintz, Eure, Davis, Clayton, Carawan.

Representative Smith's Programme.

Representative J. B. Smith, of Cleveland county, in commenting on his views of legislation that should be enacted this session, declared that a change in the system of taxation is by far the most important issue and that the assessment and the proper listing of property are the strong features to be considered in whatever changes are made; and that in listing property, especially real estate, there should be safeguards as to a reasonably low rate to protect that class of property for the future and from which no income is derived at present.

As to a primary law, he thinks the State should have a State-wide law with the Australian ballot, but with not too drastic regulations.

In the matter of prohibition, he thinks it should be seen to that whiskey cannot be shipped into dry territory except for medicinal purposes and that the present liquor law is not in accord with the spirit of the prohibition forces of the State now in overwhelming majority, he says.

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

Says Backache is a Sign You Have Been Eating Too Much Meat, Which Forms Uric Acid.

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood, and they become sort of paralyzed and loggy. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels; removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds, and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

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SPORTS

ALL O. B. MAGNATES TO FILE AFFIDAVITS

Giving Their Side In The Anti-Trust Suit

Every Big League Owner and President as Well as Minor Officials to Have Say-So in the Trial Next Week.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Every club owner in the American and National Leagues, the presidents of the leagues and some minor league club owners will file affidavits giving organized baseball's side of the Federal League's anti-trust suit next week, it was said today. Ban Johnson, August Herrmann and Chas. Thomas, president of the Chicago Nationals, already had prepared affidavits and today C. A. Comiskey, of the Chicago Americans, and Robert Hedges, of the St. Louis Americans, gave their testimony.

The text of the affidavits was not made public.

TRINITY'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED.

Series of Games With Larger Number of Colleges for Season.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, N. C., Jand 14.—Manager Lambeth, of the Trinity varsity basketball team, has about finished arrangements with the large number of colleges which Trinity's team will meet between now and the end of the basketball season, and he announces the following schedule:

January 15, with Elon at Durham; January 21, with Davidson at Durham; January 27, with Carson & Newman at Durham; February 1, with Virginia at Charlottesville; February 2, with Washington & Lee at Lexington; February 3, with V. M. I. at Lexington; February 4, with Roanoke, at Salem; February 5, with V. P. I. at Blacksburg; February 9, with Virgina at Raleigh; February 10, with A. & M. at Durham; February 12, with Guilford at Durham; February 15, with Wake Forest at Durham; February 20, with Elon at Elon; February 23, pending, at Durham; February 26, with Wake Forest at Wake Forest; February 27, with A. & M. at Raleigh; March 2, with Wake Forest at Raleigh.

UNIVERSITY OF PENN WILL TRY NEW TEAMS

Four New Games Shown on 1915 Football Schedule Just Published.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—Four new games, Pennsylvania State, Pittsburgh, Albright and West Virginia, are on the University of Pennsylvania 1915 football schedule announced today. For the first time in more than 20 years the Carlisle Indians do not appear. The schedule folows:

September 25, University of West Virginia, Philadelphia; September 29, Albright, Philadelphia; October 2, Franklin and Marshall, Philadelphia; October 9, Penn State, Philadelphia; October 16, Navy Annapolis; October 23, University of Pittsburgh, Philadelphia; October 30, LaFayette, Philadelphia; November 6, Dartmouth, Boston; November 13, Michigan, Philadelphia; November 25, Cornell, Philadelphia.

It was announced that George Brooke would remain as head coach.

FARRELL MAKES AWARDS AND O. K'S BUNCH OF TRADES.

List of Players Changing Hands on N. C. League Circuit.

Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 14.—John H. Farrell, chairman of the National Board of Arbitration of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, today gave out these decisions:

Services of players awarded: W. C. Pope to Charlotte, N. C.; Charles Kelly, to Asheville, N. C.

The following players in major and minor league baseball have been released by purchase: By Asheville, N. C., A. C. Watson to Greensboro, N. C.; by Greensboro, Olin Perritt to Asheville; by Nashville, Tenn., Walter Dayton to Durham, N. C.; John L. Lindsey to Memphis, Tenn.; by Durham, William H. Rowe to Greensboro; by Greensboro, B. C. Williams to Durham, and Charles A. Strain to Richmond, Va.

YALE'S 1915 SCHEDULE SHOWS ONE CHANGE IN LINE-UP.

Springfield Y. M. C. A. College Takes Place of Notre Dame.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 14—The Yale University 1915 football schedule announced tonight contains only one change from last year. The Springfield Y. M. C. A., College will take the place of Notre Dame. All games will be played in the bowl except the contest with Harvard at Cambridge.

The schedule: September 25, University of Maine; October 2, University of Virginia; October 9, Lehigh; October 16, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College; October 23, Washington and Jefferson; October 30, Colgate; November 6, Brown; November 14, Princeton; November 20, Harvard.

CALVIN DEMAREST WINS BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—Calvin Demarest defeated Harry Cline, 300 to 268 in a billiard players' league match here today.

Averages and high runs: Demarest 10, 10-29; 67. Cline, 9, 16-28; 8.

SEAVIEW GOLF MATCH.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 14.—J. E. Shackelford, of the home club, won the championship trophy at the first mid-winter tournament of the Seaview Golf Club at Absecon today. He defeated J. C. Parrish, Jr., of the National Golf Links 4 up and 2 to play in the final round.

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PRES. BAKER TAKES SLAM AT "RED" DOOIN

Claims Cincinnati Offered Him $6,000 Job

Club Leader Issues Signed Statement in Which He Berates Charlie for "Going Backward Instead of Forward."

Following up the story carried in yesterday's Star, the following is from the Philadelphia North American, bearing on the gossip regarding Charlie Dooin's alleged willingness to testify for the Federals in their anti-trust case against organized baseball:

The war is on between President Baker and Charles Dooin. The Phillies' president issued a statement yesterday, in which he claims that he has done all that he intends for the former local manager.

"Baker's statement was not solicited, but was sent out. It is a reply to Charles Dooin's interview on Monday. Baker has returned to Brooklyn.

"Baker's signed statement, which came from the headquarters of the Phillies yesterday, follows:

"'If Dooin is quoted correctly in the papers, he is losing his friends so fast by his talk that he won't have a sympathizer left but himself. By his actions in New York during the annual meeting he drove away the friendship of nearly all of the club owners who were willing to help him, but by my personal efforts I persuaded Cincinnati to take his matter up, and I offered him last week, during my stay in Philadelphia, a contract with the Cincinnati club for two years, at $6,000 per year, which he refused.

"'Manager Herzog came to New York last Friday and saw me about Dooin, and asked permission to see him himself. He saw Dooin Sunday night and then met me at the Philadelphia club's office on Monday, and stated that Dooin had refused his offer again.

"'I think if Dooin testifies for the Federal League he will make one of the best witnesses that organized baseball could have, as he will show up by his own statements that, having been in baseball for a long term of years, and going back instead of forward in his work, he has found a club in organized ball which is willing to pay him $6,000 per year for two years for catching. I have done all that could reasonably be done.

"'Dooin stated to Herzog that he wanted the matter to stand until the league meeting, in New York, in February. I was so disgusted with his actions yesterday that I did not bother to call him up. The Philadelphia club will offer him a contract in due time for his services as catcher for 1915.

"'WILLIAM F. BAKER,'
"'President of Phillies.'"

CHARLIE DOOIN TIES UP HIS SORE DIGIT

After Big Cry is Willing to Accept $6,000 Berth With Cincinnati.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—Charles S. Dooin, former manager of the Philadelphia Nationals, announced tonight he had accepted the offer of Manager Herzog, of Cincinnati, and that he was ready to sign a contract with that club at any time. Herzog said over the telephone from his home in Maryland that his offer of a two-year contract at $6,000 a year still stood.

Earlier in the night President Baker, of the Phillies, had announced that he would accede to Dooin's request and ask for waivers on the former manager.

KLUTTZ PICKS ALL-STAR HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM.

Several Wilmington Boys Picked by University Coach.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 14.—DeWitt Kluttz, well known in North Carolina athletics and for the last two years class coach here, has picked the following All-State high school football team:

Center, Tyree, of Raleigh.
Guards, Jones, of Washington, and Rhodes, of Wilmington.
Tackles, Whitaker and Weathers, of Raleigh.
Ends, Silverman and Shepard, of Wilmington.
Quarterback, Johnson, of Raleigh, (captain.)
Fullback, Randolph, of Asheville.
Halfbacks, Bowen and Champion.

THEATRICAL

The final offering of the Bijou Stock Company, will be "Golden Heart," a Western comedy drama, entirely different from anything yet offered. The scenes are laid out in Arizona in the days of lawlessness, when the six-shooter was the judge of all differences and used to settle all arguments. While the play is strictly Western it is not melo-dramatic and a very pretty love story runs through the action of the play. These kind of plays are enjoyed occasionally by all and you will miss an enjoyable evening if you fail to attend. Ladies free Friday night under the usual conditions. Our weekly children's and ladies' matinee Saturday at 3 o'clock. Prices 10 and 20 cents.

"Zudora" at New Grand Today.

The second episode in the great Harold McGrath sensational film story, "Zudora", will be offered by the New Grand today. That announcement would be enough to pack the handsome theatre, so strong a hold has this wonderful film serial taken on the hearts and minds of the people of Wilmington. The inauguration of "Zudora" last Friday was witnessed by record-breaking audiences and every one left singing the praises of the costly, stupendous film. Today's episode is "The Mystery of the Sleeping House," and it is most fascinating, as well as thrilling. In this gripping adventure "Zudora" (role played by clever Marguerite Snow) has to solve a mystery whereby every one in a certain house is forced into slumber every night. It is a chapter of thrilling Hindu magic and customs. It is a great episode, and, as all "Zudora" episodes, is complete in itself, though "Zudora" does not get what her heart desires until she has solved 20 mysteries.

But this is not all to today's great show. There are other big film features, thus affording a superb double show for the one admission—5 cents, any and all the time. "Saved by a Watch," Selig's freshest blood-tingler, is also one of today's features and it is something most spectacular. It is a Western story. Then will come a great laugh-provoker, a big novelty in Edison's "A Matter of High Explosives."

Souvenir Day—Bijou.

Today is the day that the popular photoplay is destined to grow even more in the favor of Wilmington amusement lovers than heretofore, for it marks the inauguration of their Friday "Souvenir Day" by which is meant that they have contracted for 2,000 copies weekly of "The Photo-Pla Weekly," the new Wilmington publication devoted to doings of the movies, which will be issued every week, the first issue coming out today, dated Saturday. The copies will only be given to adults, as it will be a high-class publication, and will not appeal to children.

Today will also bring another record breaking show, headed by that great two-reel Eclair drama, "Within an Inch of His Life," featuring popular Edna Payne in the leading role. It is a Western drama, replete with beautiful Western scenery and chock full of thrilling action, pistol fights, lynchings and snake play. A Mexican snake charmer is introduced into the play, and with his score of snakes prevents the lynching of "Foamy" White.

A notable Mutual dramatic offering is "The Chasm", contrasting a woman's spirit of mercy with a man's sense of justice, and features those big stars, Marguerite Loveridge, James Durkin and Joe Phillips.

A big Sterling comedy, "Love and Water" features those comedy stars, Dot Gould and Lloyd Ingraham, and is followed by still another comedy feature, "An Incompetent Hero," a rousing Keystone production.

TWO YACHTS AT SOUTHPORT.

Probably Last of the Season—Fish Reported Scarce.

Southport, N. C., Jan. 14.—What is probably the end of the yachts going to Southern waters for the winter were two here this week. Usually, December sees the last of the yachts southward bound.

Local fishermen are now looking towards the shad run. The protracted period of stormy weather has driven the fish away, so that there has been but little fishing, deep sea, for many weeks. Fishermen from here have tried as far out as the lightship, and along shore to the South Carolina line, with no returns. The local market has been supplied from fish caught up the nearby creeks and rivers.

BURNED TO DEATH IN BARN.

Aged Demented Man of Gold Hill Loses Life in Fire.

Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 14. — Milan Holshauser, an aged man living in the Gold Hill section, was burned to death early today when his barn and granary were destroyed by fire. The origin of the fire is not known. Holshauser, who is said to have been demented, had formed a habit of sleeping in his barn. His presence from the home was not noticed by his daughter, with whom he lived, until the fire was discovered. Several horses and cows were burned.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1915.

Stop growling. Europe has war, famine, pestilence and earthquakes. We have neither.

It is a lucky bill collector who goes around the entire circuit and finds the business current overflowing with currency.

Egypt has two Khedives but the one who draws pay for being his niblets is the one which John Bull picked out after Turkey took belligerent notions.

What do you think of a so-called Pagan nation like Japan seeing to it that the interest on her bonds held in Germany is being regularly paid in Berlin?

Baron Munchausen was a man who told an awfully lot of tales, but nothing was done to him, but look what happened to Ananias and Mrs. Saphira Ananias.

Carter Harrison is again a candidate for mayor of Chicago. He has been mayor so often that if he is elected he will feel as if it is a case of "coming into his own."

Please be kind enough not to let religion get itself mixed up in politics. That is how European governments happened to get the State church business foisted upon them.

It is announced that a law suit over a barrel of whiskey has just been decided after the case had been in court for 47 years. The man who claimed the spirits never got the ghost of a show, for the spirits vanished 47 years ago and has never come back.

The best way to help a county is to give it a chance to become self-supporting. State paternalism has made the people of many a county fall down on themselves. Paternalism of any kind takes the individualism, the self-reliance and initiative out of a people.

A scar on her wrist has brought a Pennsylvania woman a fortune. Other claimants denied her identity and claimed that the rightful heir was long dead. She finally proved that she was the missing heiress by showing a scar that was recognized by an uncle.

It was reported that Grand Duke Alexander Michaelovitch, of the Russian army, was killed in battle. It is now reported that he denies it. If he denied it himself we will have to believe that he is in position to convince us that there is no truth in the report that he had lost his life while fighting for his country.

Secretary Bryan is wanted in Fairfax county, Virginia, for violation of the law. On Christmas day the distinguished gentleman went rabbit hunting, contrary to the game law, so the game warden wants to get him. Colonel Bryan carried a gun and manifested every disposition to shoot a rabbit, but he didn't see any to shoot. Of course, if Secretary Bryan were to return and surrender himself on a charge intent to violate a law of which he knew nothing, he might prove from his own knowledge that there are no rabbits in Fairfax so far as he knows, and demand that the particular rabbit he hunted be placed in evidence.

A Mr. Will R. Wood, of Fayette, Indiana, has been interviewed in Washington. Among other things he said: "The next President of the United States must be a man who has the confidence of the business world." In the course of his conversation it appeared that he had supported Taft against Roosevelt in the Chicago convention, and as a matter of fact he had supported Tedd when he was President. In view of the fact that the business world had no confidence in Roosevelt and used to blame Taft every time he attempted to regulate big business, it is quite apparent that Mr. Wood cannot be trusted to pick candidates who will have the confidence of the business world.

PAUPER COUNTIES IN VIRGINIA

Virginia has a number of socalled pauper counties as well as North Carolina, but the big State of Georgia probably has twice as many as either of the first states named. These non-self-supporting counties are becoming a problem and various forms of taxation have been suggested as a remedy for their condition. They are charges on the state, but not so much on the state as on counties which have to sustain themselves and have to be depended on to help carry the load of the counties which receive aid from the state. Virginia has this problem to deal with, and the Richmond Times Dispatch thus refers to a position taken on the matter by that State's new governor:

"Governor Stuart is quite right in his declaration that no variety of the tax reform that can be conceived will alter at once the situation by which the cities and richer counties of the state contribute to the educational and other needs of the counties less liberally blessed with this world's goods.

"Moreover, it is not desirable that there should be any immediate escape from this situation. In furnishing educational facilities, particularly, the poorer counties should receive such help as it is feasible to supply from the general fund. It is the duty of the state to lift the whole mass of its citizenship—to supply means of escape from poverty rather than to subject it to further penalties.

"One advantage of the segregation plan is that it does supply just such encouragement. When communities realize that the whole volume of taxation from realty and tangible personal property within their borders will be spent at home, they will be led to tax their citizens, more liberally for good roads, better schools, measures of sanitation and hygiene and all the other contributing factors that go to make a people healthy, wealthy and wise. They will better themselves, because they will understand that in constantly increasing measure they are the architects of their own destiny. In the meantime, the state will give them such assistance as it can and they require."

The situation in the socalled pauper counties should receive careful investigation. We have an idea that most of them are falling down on themselves. It is hardly likely that there is a county anywhere whose taxable values are not sufficient to meet all its own requirements. It will be found generally that there is something wrong with their taxing systems or administrations, and probably it will require an investigation to find out where their delinquency comes in.

It is a great burden on prosperous, self-sustaining counties to carry others quite able to carry themselves. If there are counties which cannot take care of themselves, it might be a good idea for the state to have a receiver appointed for them so their affairs can be conducted right.

It is said some of the counties make it a custom to rely on the state and thus save expenses. If that is the case, it is the outcome of state paternalism. It is quite evident that paternalism is not stimulative of the initiative, the self-reliance and the enterprise of people anywhere.

NITRATE DEPOSITS IN FLORIDA.

That Florida has nitrate deposits that are ten to fifteen feet thick will be news to most of us, but the Jacksonville Times-Union announces that there are considerable areas interlayed with deposits of nitrate of soda and decomposed leaf mold of many years accumulation. Our esteemed Jacksonville contemporary on Wednesday announced that Northern capitalists will develop the deposits and that their representatives are now in Florida casting about to undertake mining operations.

One of the parties interested arrived in Jacksonville this week en route to Tampa, near which the deposits are located. It is an interesting story and one of great interest to North Carolina and all the agricultural South, but we had better let the Times-Union tell it in its own way. Announcing the arrival in Jacksonville of a Northern man, whose name was not given but whose mission is to look over the deposit territory, it says:

"His story was that a company has been organized, and the representatives of the concern are now in the state, preparing and prepared to open up to commerce the great natural nitrate deposits in the gulf section of the state, and that a railroad is to be built connecting the deposits, back in the forest, with railroads leading both to deep water and Northern railroad connections. Hillsborough county is known to have large areas where once the egret and other birds denizened in multitudes as fabulous to the present day belief, as must have been the congregating of the sea birds on the famous islands off the Peruvian coast years ago, whence today even, is being dug the high valued guano deposits of the islands.

"The informant, or rather the man who gave merely the tip, told of the presence in the state of moneyed men, connected with the greatest steel corporation, and men representing the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, determined that now being an opportune time, they would build a railroad to these deposits and place on the market this valuable natural fertilizer. Where the deposits are he laughingly declined to state, but he himself left for Tampa last night. For years, since the discovery and ascertainment of the value of the guano deposits in the forest of Hillsborough, especially those back in the country from Plant City, growers and planters have been hauling out in wagons and sacks, this fertilizer, and using it in moderate quantities with most remarkable results, and stories are told of the growth of 12 feet by orange tree branches in one season because of the application of this guano. Where it is used for vegetable fertilizer, more wonderful results still are proclaimed.

"The deposits, which lie in places ten to fifteen feet thick, and interlayered with the rotted leaf mold of years, are easy to get out, since no deep mining is necessary, and the only difficulty in the past has been to get it transported to the distributing shipping centers. Every time a consummation of the plan was about in sight, some financial quieting, local or state or national, would interfere with the development; but now it appears from the statements of the Northern visitor, that the time is ripe for the complete development of the natural fertilizer deposits of that part of the state. Florida has the greatest fertilizing phosphate beds in the world, and it has the finest of rock for the manufacture of agricultural lime, and then its marl beds are of incalculable fertilizing value. Now is about to come the development of its great nitrate, natural guano beds, to add to the long list of valuable material aids to agriculture in the state and the country at large."

It is not clear whether the deposits are sodium nitrate, potassium nitrate or whether a genuine guano deposit exists in Florida. Genuine nitrate is a salt of the alkali family, and whatever this new fertilizer deposit is, in all probability it is valuable if the deposit area comes up to the description.

SOUTH CAROLINA'S SPEAKER.

The new speaker just chosen by the house of representatives of South Carolina was formerly editor of the Columbia Record. He was a good newspaper man, but later became a banker and has succeeded as a financier. He is a man who has steadily achieved and whose aim has been to be useful to society and valuable as a citizen of his state and community. He has never been a self-seeker but his force of character and ability have made him a high place in the councils of his state.

It is a good sign that South Carolina has turned to a man of his type—a man who is trustworthy and fit in every way for whatever honor or trust may be committed to him. He is a newspaper man and the son of a newspaper man, and the fraternity rejoices all the more that South Carolina is beginning to recognize merit above the qualities which seem too often to win popularity for men who play the political game in a way to catch the attention of the galleries.

South Carolina has had many a distinguished speaker but there are none who have done the state better or more lofty service than it will get from the hands of Speaker Hoyt. The South Carolina house did not seem to be looking for a politician when it decided to honor a newspaper man and banker who has become a prominent figure because he is a man who became a potential force in promoting the development and progress of his state.

One disadvantage of being a man is that when it comes to getting alimony a man is a regular Jonah.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Legislature should not break the State's faith with the mountain railroads. The Observer may seem persistent on this point, but the persistency is well founded, for the spirit of antagonism to western North Carolina development through the assistance of the State, cropped out early in the session, indicating "malice aforethought," or a deliberated consummation. We believe the motive is other than the retarding of the development of that section of the State, yet the end accomplished would be nothing short of that. Three lines of vast importance are under way, and the best interests of North Carolina would be served, not by crippling the work, but in giving all possible aid in hastening its completion.—Charlotte Observer.

Irvin Cobb had an interview with Lord Roberts a few days before the death of the great British soldier. In the course of that interview Lord Roberts said: "American produced some magnificent soldiers during these four years—and the greatest of these, to my way of thinking, was Jackson—Stonewall Jackson. In my opinion, Stonewall Jackson was one of the greatest natural military geniuses the world ever saw. Will go even further than that—as a campaigner in the field, he never had a superior. I doubt whether he ever had an equal." A great tribute to a great man; it comes from a man who was himself a great master of military operations. —Tampa (Fla.) Tribune.

C. ED. TAYLOR ENTHUSIASTIC

Over Spirit of Meeting of Republicans at Raleigh.

Southport, N. C., Jan. 14. — C. Ed. Taylor, Esq., who has just returned from Raleigh, representing the Sixth Congressional district at the Republican meeting, speakes in enthusiastic terms of the feeling and sentiments expressed at the Republican gathering. This was particularly noticeable in the elimination of all stand-pat-ism and bull-moose-ism talk among the leaders, who appeared to have believed that there was a ground swell on among the masses of voters in North Carolina, seeking a change of both State and National administrations, therefore the need of co-operation of all forces which can be brought together to bring about the change.

Mr. Taylor says he finds there is a sentiment that the tariff changes of the Wilson administration are not finding a hearty endorsement among Democrats, much less among those of his own party, and that this is going to gain votes for the Republicans in this State, two years hence.

THE BANK OF CARTHAGE IS MERGED WITH ANOTHER

Page Trust Company, of Aberdeen Absorbs Closed Institution.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—The Corporation Commission today announced the adjustment of the trouble with the Bank of Carthage that necessitated the closing of the bank last week on account of a run that started among the depositors. The adjustment is a merger with the Page Trust Company, of Aberdeen, whereby the Carthage bank will become a branch of the Page Trust Company, which is one of the strongest financial institutions in that section of the State.

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MAXTON BANKS' MEETINGS.

Stockholders Elect Directors and They in Turn the Officers.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Maxton, N. C., Jan. 14.—At the annual stockholders' meetings of the Bank of Maxton, of the Bank of Robeson and of the Consolidated Realty & Insurance Co., all corporations of this place, elections of directors were held and reports of the business conditions made and approved.

The Bank of Maxton elected the following as directors: T. O. Evans, A. J. McKinnon, Lacy Williams, L. R. Kirkpatrick, McKay McKinnon, J. T. Poole, G. B. Patterson, R. M. Williams, B. S. Barnes, J. W. Carter, J. P. Wiggins, Neill Alford, S. B. McLeah, J. K. McGirt and John Leach. These elected as officers for the year T. O. Evans, president; A. J. McKinnon, vice president; Lacy Williams, cashier, and T. W. Williams, assistant cashier.

The Bank of Robeson elected as directors: R. L. McLeod, J. M. Armstrong, G. B. Sellers, J. G. McCormick, A. H. Currie, F. C. Frostick, D. M. McRae, D. A. Patterson, S. B. McLean, J. G. Baldwin and J. G. Purcell. They elected R. L. McLeod, president; G. B. Sellers, vice president; J. M. Armstrong, cashier, and B. P. Carter, assistant cashier.

The directors selected for the Consolidated Realty & Insurance Co., were J. S. McRae, R. D. Croom, S. B. McLean, and R. L. Thomason. Officers were J. S. McRae, president; S. B. McLean, vice president, and R. L. Thomason, secretary-treasurer.

"INDIGNATION" AT SOUTHPORT.

Because of Reason Assigned for German Steamer Leaving.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., Jan. 14.—A report that the captain of the German steamer Nicaria, for months lying at anchor in this harbor, secured a change from here to a tie-up at the dock at Wilmington, by reporting to the steamer's company that the anchorage here was not safe, is causing some local indignation, and justly so. The captain of the German steamer Kiel, now at anchor here, takes a divergent view. As to the safety of these waters, it will be remembered that last year the schooner John Twohy, waterlogged, was towed in here and run on Battery Island flats, and then was towed to the Southport side, where the schooner was pumped out so that the vessel could be towed north, all this occupying some six months, which would cover a period offering full opportunity for storm tests. As to the harbor anchorage, your correspondent has seen a group of half a dozen schooners swinging at anchor during a gale of wind fully 75 miles per hour, and so far as could be judged from shore not varying a foot with the turns of tide.

But what's the use? When a captain wants to get to a city, he is sure to fabricate an excuse for the change.

C. L. S.

BANK AND STORE ENTERED.

One Negro Arrested as Member of the Gang of Stantonsburg Robbers.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 14.—Burglars made themselves busy at Stantonsburg Monday night and one of them was caught Tuesday here in Wilson and acknowledged his guilt. The Stantonsburg bank was broken into, but nothing was secured. The general store of Cook & Singerton was another victim and a quantity of watches, pistols, jewelry and other like articles were taken. Tuesday morning, after receiving the information and a description of a missing negro known to have been loafing about the store Monday, Chief of Police Wiggs went at the search with the result that he soon captured a negro, Will Smith. With the negro Chief Wiggs also recovered a large assortment of jewelry, some money, a pistol and other stolen articles. Smith confessed his guilt but the accomplice has not yet been apprehended.

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Action of Attorney General in Matter of Dismemberment of C. F. & Y. V. Endorsed—Numerous Resolutions Adopted.

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, deeming it to be of the greatest importance that the city shall have a good government, in view of the recent action of Council in appointing a committee to confer with Representative Stacy, at its regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon authorized the appointment of a committee of five men by the president to co-operate with the committee from Council, this action being taken at the instance of Iredell Meares, Esq., and seconded by Mr. Thos. H. Wright.

The findings of the Attorney General in the dismemberment proceedings relative to the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad and his recommendation that a suit be instituted to this end was endorsed by the Chamber in the passage of a resolution, introduced by Mr. J. Allan Taylor, chairman of the traffic committee.

The Chamber again went on record as favoring the repeal of section nine of the Justice Freight Rate Act, this being the famous "long and short haul" clause. Mr. J. Allan Taylor introduced the resolution, but had little to say about the matter, rather preferring evidently that the resolution should speak for itself. A copy will be sent to Senator Cooper and Representative Stacy with the request that they take prompt action on the matter.

No Action on Market.

Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, was present and explained to the Chamber a plan for establishing a co-operative market in the city. He said that he thought the old fire house which had been suggested by Mr. Hugh MacRae was as good a location as could be found. He suggested that the market could divide its profits not only with the producers, whose goods would be sold there, but also with the consumer. He stated that he believed that the former co-operative market had failed because it had attempted to sell at a lower price than the other markets in the city.

In his proposed plan he did not contemplate that produce should be reduced in price, but simply that the profits would be divided among the producers and the consumers.

He also called attention to the fact that it would be necessary to have some prizes for the Boys' Corn Club this year and he hoped that the Chamber would give this matter also its consideration.

Mr. J. Allan Taylor stated that while no doubt the co-operative market would be a good thing he did not think that the Chamber could endorse it because, if it did, it would be establishing a precedent for endorsing other co-operative schemes such as co-operative ice plants, co-operative stores and other co-operative business enterprises. He saw no objection to individual members lending such assistance to such an enterprise, but did not consider it within the province of the Chamber to take any official action.

President M. J. Corbett was of the same opinion as Mr. Taylor and also expressed a doubt as to the enterprise being a practicable one. No action was taken by the Chamber on the suggestion.

That the price of cotton is already being fixed by the New York Exchange for next year, based on reports from the South, was pointed out by Mr. Taylor, in an earnest appeal to the business men present to take some steps to see that the cotton crop for the coming year is curtailed. Curtailment is our only salvation, he declared, and it will take persistent and drastic action to see that this is done.

It is highly important, he stated, that we disabuse the minds of those in the North that we are going to raise a bumper crop of cotton this year, and to this end much good can be done by the merchants and business men in their correspondence with their customers in urging its importance upon them.

Newspapers Are Too Modest

Mr. Taylor declared that the press is entirely too modest in its advocacy of the curtailment of the cotton crop. He had not seen any strong editorials on curtailment. By way of passing, he took occasion to comment on the fact that Wilmington papers had been far more modest in bringing to the attention of the people the fact that Wilmington was the only city in North Carolina that had opposed the long and short haul clause in the Justice bill than would have been the case in other North Carolina cities, such as Charlotte and Raleigh.

Business Men Indifferent.

"I can't conceive of anything more important to a city than a good government," declared Iredell Meares, Esq., "and we ought to have more interest in it by the business men."

He declared that it is a government without heads or tails and there is no means of fixing responsibility. It is neither a commission form nor a representative government. Four years ago the entire system was changed and two years ago the charter was again amended. Little interest had been manifested in the changes that were made. The indifference on the part of those who should be the most concerned presents an anomalous condition.

He, therefore, moved that five men be appointed by the president of the Chamber to take up the matter with Council and with the representatives in the General Assembly. This was seconded by Mr. Thos. H. Wright.

Mr. P. Pearsall stated that he thought that the northbound train which leaves Wilmington at 7:30 A. M. should be changed back to the original hour of 8:30 o'clock as he could not see that the earlier hour was of any great benefit to anybody.

He was assured by Mr. Taylor that the change was made as a part of a general scheme and that this would be put into effect when the times are propitious.

Dismemberment of C. F. & Y. V.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. J. Allan Taylor, chairman of the Traffic Committee, and after being seconded by Mr. T. D. Love was adopted by the Chamber:

"The fight begun four years ago by this Chamber to restore the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad to one ownership and management seems about to bear fruit, on which the State is to be congratulated.

"Through the efforts of this Chamber, heartily supported by Greensboro,

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FLYING SQUADRON IS TO VISIT WILMINGTON

Famous Prohibition Organization Coming

Speakers of National Importance Will Appear at Three-Day Meeting in Interest of Temperance Next Month.

Regarded as thought-provoking, convincing and a powerful force for Nation-wide prohibition, the Flying Squadron of America, composed of speakers of National importance, will invade Wilmington on February 19, 20 and 21. Deep interest is being manifested by church and temperance people generally in the work of this organization, and it is confidently expected that the forthcoming meetings will be largely attended.

Mr. Robert S. Henry, advance agent of the Flying Squadron, was in Wilmington yesterday and after looking over the situation and conferring with a number of prominent clergy and laity, declared that in his estimation, the meetings will be productive of splendid results for the great national fight being waged on John Barleycorn.

He pointed out that the Flying Squadron is not being backed up by any sect or political party, but consists of temperance workers who are imbued with the desire to do something really worth while for the cause.

Already about 150 of the leading cities of the country have been visited by the Flying Squadron and everywhere in the meetings, it is declared, the speakers were received with a cordiality which distinctly shows the trend of the popular mind as to the disposition which should be made of the liquor traffic. Professional singers and musicians accompany the Squadron and conduct the musical programmes at all the gatherings, making them doubly attractive.

Former Governor J. Frank Hanly, of Indiana, is the chairman of the Flying Squadron Committee, and is in general charge of the direction of the campaign which is being fought from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from Canada to the Gulf.

Born in a log cabin in Champaign county, Illinois, not many miles from the old home of Abraham Lincoln, he received most of his early education at his mother's knee under her tutorship, attended school but a few weeks for several years, and then at the age of 13, started out to find his way in the world, which led to the governorship of Indiana at the age of 41, together with other high honors. Upon all of these, he turned his back when the plan to aid mankind in the fight for the suppression of the liquor traffic presented itself to his mind.

With Governor Hanly in his work are Hon. Oliver Wayne Stewart, former member of the Illinois State Legislature and a temperance lecturer, regarded as a man of intense personality and deep enthusiasm; Daniel A. Poling, National citizenship superintendent of the United Societies of Christian Endeavor. Mr. Poling is the youngest man who was ever a candidate for the governorship of Ohio, where in 1912, at the age of 28, he reached by automobile, 86 counties of the Buckeye State in his speaking tours, and was rewarded by seeing the Prohibition vote at the ensuing election raised 150 per cent.

Dr. Ira Landrith, president of the Ward-Belmont College, of Nashville, Tenn., Presbyterian and former moderator of the denomination's General Assembly, the highest honor it can confer, is another of the leaders working with Governor Hanly in the Nation-wide campaign. He was one of the founders of the Tennessee Anti-Saloon League and is now a member of the State executive committee of the organization, having been a leader of the work since its conception. He was also president of the late International Convention of the Y. M. C. A.; has served the Association for 21 years as chairman of the Tennessee state committee, and is also connected with many other efforts of a civic and religious nature.

Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, known throughout the world as an author of note and earnest exponent of practical and livable Christianity, is also included in the list of speakers. Known best by his famous book, "In His Steps", Dr. Sheldon has seen it translated into 17 different languages and attain a circulation of millions of copies in this country and Great Britain. He is now minister-at-large of the Central Congregational Church of Topeka, Kans., with indefinite leave of absence to "lecture, hold conferences, and assist church federations and kindred causes."

Dr. Wilbur F. Sheridan, general secretary of the Epworth Leagues of the Methodist Church, and one of the strong platform orators of the country as well, is another of the Squadron speakers.

Dr. Carolyn E. Geisel was born in Michigan and graduated from the University of Michigan. She has received medical diplomas from three American colleges; studied in St. Petersburg University, Russia; also in Germany; and at the famous Pasteur Institute in Paris. She has been on the staff of the Battle Creek Sanitarium since 1895. She has been prominent on the lecture platform, doing Chautauqua work for the past 15 years. Her active interest in temperance work dates from the year 1897, and her most important address on the question is "Alcohol and the Man Himself", showing the pathological effects of alcohol upon the human body. She is a brilliant and convincing speaker and presents the temperance question in a way that makes it appear of vital importance to each individual.

An especially interesting figure who accompanies the Squadron is John B. Lewis, retired shoe manufacturer of Boston, who is the treasurer of the movement, and upon its inauguration contributed $10,000 to its support. He is also vice chairman of the Prohibition National Committee and is deeply interested in the work for the advancement of the prohibition cause.

Included in the list of musicians who are accompanying the Squadron are: Frederick Butler, former basso of the Alice Nielson Opera Company, Mrs. Butler, pianist; Rev. Daniel V. Poling, pastor of hte Congregational church, The Dalles, Ore, baritone; William L. pastor of the Congregational church, Miss Vera K. Mullin, of Winchester, Ind., soprano, who has done much concert work over the United States and Canada.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

FORMAL AGREEMENT ADOPTED YESTERDAY

For Construction of the Carolina Beach Road

County and Development Companies to Share Cost of Construction Equally—Work to Be Rushed—Bond.

The formal contract between the Board of County Commissioners and the officers of the New Hanover Transit Company, the Wilmington Beach Corporation and the Kure Land and Development Company, whereby the Board and the three companies agree to unite in the construction of a rock road from the present belt line road to Carolina Beach Boulevard, the expenses to be borne half by the county and half by the companies, was agreed upon at a meeting of the Board yesterday afternoon, and upon the signing of the agreement and the filing by the officers of the company with the Board a justified bond in the sum of $10,000 for the faithful performance of their part of the agreement, the preliminary details looking toward an early beginning of the work will be started.

The road to be constructed will be about seven and one-half miles in length, and will extend from the present belt-line road to Carolina Boulevard, Carolina Beach. From there it is to be constructed on through Wilmington Beach and Fort Fisher Sea Beach by the development companies themselves, at their own expense.

While it has not yet been fully decided, the likelihood is that the work will be let out by contract, and Commissioner L. W. Moore, chairman of the committee of Commissioners in charge of the details, was authorized to advertise for bids on the work, the county reserving the right to reject any or all bids if it is seen fit.

Under the terms of the agreement, the three development companies are to deposit immediately in some local bank the sum of $7,500 to the credit of the county, as an advance payment, to be checked out by the county as needed.

The agreement contemplates that work on the road shall begin as early in February as possible, and that it is to be completed as soon as conditions will permit.

At the conclusion of the agreement yesterday, and after the adoption of the agreement by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners, Mr. C. C. Chadbourn, president of the Wilmington Beach Corporation, thanked the members of the Board, on behalf of the companies and as a citizen of New Hanover county, for their action. He declared that in his opinion the building of the road would result in the immediate upbuilding of the Southern section of the county, and that the increased taxes in that part of the county would pay for the road within five years. Mr. J. J. Loughlin, secretary and treasurer of the New Hanover Transit Company, seconded Mr. Chadbourn's remarks, also thanking the Board.

The meeting yesterday was presided over by Commissioner W. A. McGirt, in the absence of Chairman M. S. Willard. Present also were Commissioners L. W. Moore and W. E. Yopp, Mr. W. A. Williams, clerk to the Board, and Graham Kenan, Esq., county attorney, and Messrs. C. C. Chadbourn, A. W. Pate, J. J. Loughlin.

The officers of the three companies are to file with the Board a justified personal bond of $10,000 for carrying out their part of the agreement. The form of the bond was approved yesterday and it will be executed today.

The formal agreement entered into is as follows:

These articles of agreement, made and entered into, this the 11th day of January, 1915, by and between New Hanover Transit Company, Wilmington Beach Corporation and Kure Land and Development Company, each being a corporation created, organized and existing under by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, with its principal office in the City of Wilmington, New Hanover county, said State, parties of the first part, and the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover County, party of the second part, witnesseth:

That, whereas, said party of the second part proposes to construct a rock road, uniform with the hard roads of New Hanover county, from the present Belt Line road to Carolina Beach Boulevard, an extension of about seven and one-half miles, and to pay one-half the expense of building and completing the same, and to do all necessary grading, at its own expense, provided and upon condition that said parties of the first part promptly and faithfully keep and perform the agreements and covenants by them made and hereinafter set out, and provided said party of the second part has the absolute control and supervision of the building of said road:

And, whereas, said parties of the first part are desirous of complying with said conditions and requirements and have agreed to furnish good and sufficient surety, acceptable to said party of the second part, guaranteeing the faithful performance by them of their covenants and agreements herein set out;

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises and for the purposes aforesaid, and in consideration of the covenants and agreements made by said parties of the first part, to pay one-half the expense, necessary grading excepted, of building and completing said road in the sums and at such time, or times, as the party of the second part may direct, and conditioned upon the performance by said first parties of each and every covenant by them herein made, said party of the second part, in keeping with a resolution passed at its meeting held January 4, 1915, agrees to undertake, about February 1, 1915, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the building and constructing of a rock road, 70 feet wide and approximately eight inches deep, from a point determined by it, on the Belt Line road to Carolina Beach Boulevard, a distance of about seven and one-half miles; and said second party agrees to do all necessary grading, at its own expense, and to pay one-half of the expense incident and necessary to the building and completing of said road, and to make an effort to finish and complete the same as soon as conditions will permit.

In consideration of the premises and the covenants and agreements made by said second party, said parties of the first part agree to pay one-half the expense, necessary grading excepted, incident and necessary to the building,

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OCEANIC HOTEL SOLD AT AUCTION YESTERDAY

Property Bid in By Mr. J. E. Clayton, of Kingstree, S. C.

New Company Will Probably be Formed and Name of Hotel Changed. Mr. Clayton Will be Personally in Charge.

The Oceanic Hotel property at Wrightsville Beach, real and personal, was sold at public auction yesterday at noon at the court house, under foreclosure of mortgage held by the Southern National Bank, and was bid in by Mr. J. E. Clayton, a well known business man and traveling salesman, formerly of Wilmington and Chadbourn and now of Kingstree, S. C., acting for himself and associates.

Mr. Clayton's plans, according to his statements yesterday, contemplate the formation of a stock compnay to operate the hotel. He plans to retain the majority of the stock, and will manage the hotel personally.

A meeting of those interested will be held here within the next few days, Mr. Clayton said yesterday, at which time preliminary action toward organization and asking for a charter may be taken.

The Oceanic, which was erected about six years ago by the late Mr. W. J. Moore, is one of the two principal hotels on the beach. Mr. Moore operated it as the Tarrymoore for several seasons, and then, four years ago, sold out to a stock company composed of local business men, at which time the name was changed to the Oceanic. It has always been a popular hotel and thousands of visitors to the beach from all over the country have known its hospitality.

In addition to the property on which the hotel is located, there are several vacant lots also, six tracts in all, all of which were sold with the hotel yesterday.

Mr. Clayton, the purchaser, is not inexperienced in the hotel business, having owned and managed several hotels at different times. His regular vocation, however, is that of a traveling salesman, and he has traveled extensively, not only in the South, but through the North and West, and has a host of friends all over the country who will be interested to know that he is to engage in the resort hotel business. Mr. Clayton is a native of North Carolina, having been born at Washington, N. C. With his family he made Wilmington his home for four years some time ago, and also lived at Chadbourn for a time. At the present his headquarters are at Kingstree, S. C., and he has been spending his summer at his country home at Lake Waccamaw. He owns a large farm at Excelsior.

It is Mr. Clayton's intention to leave the road for several months at an early date, and to spend some time supervising the repairing and renovating of the Oceanic building, preparatory to the opening the coming spring. The name of the hotel will probably be changed. Mr. Clayton was not prepared to say yesterday just when the hotel would be opened this season. He pointed out that June 1st usually marks the beginning of the season, and that business conditions this year would hardly warrant the opening at a date earlier than that. However, this and other details will be worked out later, and for the present he intends to devote his time to the preliminary matters in connection with the organization of the company.

Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., auctioned off the property yesterday. There were several other bidders. When the property was knocked down to him, Mr. Clayton turned over to the auctioneer a certified check for $500 as a guarantee of good faith.

MEETING OF TRUCKERS.

Directors of New Hanover Association to Meet in City Tomorrow.

There will be a meeting of the directors of the New Hanover Co-Operative Truckers' Association at the Court House tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of taking steps to complete the organization. Steps will also be taken towards securing a sales agent for the coming season. There will be eight directors, one from each local organization, and six of these have already been selected.

Practically 75 per cent of the truckers of the county have already enrolled and others are joining. After months of hard work by those interested, the prospects now are that Wilmington and New Hanover county will have one of the best organizations in the South.

Meeting of Creditors Held.

A meeting of the creditors of Baggett Bros., who recently made an assignment, was held Wednesday afternoon. The majority of the creditors either in person or being represented through the Bureau of Credits. An offer of 15 per cent, made by Baggett Bros., was refused. Most of the creditors, who had not already done so, have placed their claims in the hands of the Bureau of Credits, which will, through its attorney, L. Clayton Grant, Esq., endeavor to adjudicate matters.

Suburban Schedule Changes.

Beginning Monday, January 18, there will be a slight change in the leaving time of some of the cars on the suburban line. The train now leaving Front and Princess streets for Winter Park and Wrightsville at 6:55 a. m., will leave at 6:50 a. m. The train now leaving Wrightsville, westbound, at 7:25 a. m., will leave at 7:20 a. m. This train will leave Winter Park at 7:31 a. m. instead of at 7:36 a. m.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Annie R. Darden to W. C. Page, for $1,000 and other considerations, tract in Cape Fear township, on west side of Castle Haynes road, containing 17 acres; L. J. Carter and wife to Henry Heyer, for $10 and other considerations, lot on west line of 15th, 99 feet north of Meares, 33x165 feet in size.

THIS IS A BAD MONTH

The indoor life of winter, with lack of outdoor exercise, puts a heavy load on the kidneys. Nearly everybody suffers from rheumatism, backache, pain in sides and back, kidney and bladder ailments. A backache may not mean anything serious, but it certainly does not mean anything good. It's better to be on the safe side and take Foley's Kidney Pills to strengthen and invigorate the kidneys and help them do their work. They help rid the blood of acids and poisons. Sold by Jt. R. Bellamy.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Charles Westbrook, of Wallace, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rurark at Carolina Heights.

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There will be a meeting of Section A of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. James' Episcopal church at the Parish house this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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The regular meeting of the Household Economics Department of Sorosis will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club rooms on North Third street.

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—Mrs. H. M. Flagler, of Palm Beach, Fla., is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. W. R. Kenan, No. 202 South Third street.

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Mr. Benjamin Bell, Jr., assistant news editor of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, who was here to attend the Honnet-Jackson wedding, will return to Richmond this morning.

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The members of the Hanson-Yarborough wedding party were entertained at a luncheon at the Hotel Wilmington last night by Mr. Louis Hanson, Jr. The wedding will take place tomorrow at noon at St. Paul's Lutheran church. Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Knouse entertained Wednesday night at the Marine Hospital at a delightful affair in honor of the bridal party.

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Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 14.—At the close of the third day of the campaign by the Young Women's Christian Association for funds for the current year it was found that $2,000 of the $3,000 wanted had been subscribed, and there are two days remaining of the campaign. It is believed that in this time the other $1,000 will be raised. The final meeting will be held Saturday night.

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Rocky Point, N. C., Jan. 14.—Olivet Baptist church was crowded with friends and relatives at 2:30 o'clock on the afternoon of December 27th, to witness the marriage of Miss Mayme Batson, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Batson, to Mr. George Frederck Malpass, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. M. Baker, pastor of the church. The church decorations were beautiful and appropriate to the Christmas season.

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Goldsboro, Jan. 14.—Friends will be interested in the following invitation, which has been issued to only out-of-town friends:

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Webber Dewey request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Victoria LeMay, to Mr. Geo. Salley Heywood on Wednesday evening, January 27, at 7:30 o'clock, St. Paul's Methodist church, Goldsboro, N. C.

"Will be at home after February 10, Columbia, S. C."

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PHYSICIANS ENTERTAINED BY DR. CHAS. T. HARPER

The members of the New Hanover Medical Society were entertained at a delightful oyster roast at Greenfield Park last night. The affair, which was given by Dr. C. T. Harper, the retiring president, began at 9 o'clock and lasted for two hours. The luscious bivalves were cooked in splendid style and heartily enjoyed by the 17 physicians, who enjoyed Dr. Harper's hospitality.

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A benefit dance will be given at the Germania club, corner Front and Orange streets, this evening from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend. Tickets will be sold at the door. The proceeds will be used in caring for a crippled boy, who is now in the hospital. He underwent his first operation on Wednesday and is getting along nicely. A well known Wilmington surgeon has kidly donated his services and the only expenses will be for keeping him at the hospital.

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Mrs. J. M. Woodward entertained the Needle Craft club at her home, No. 505 Chestnut street, yesterday afternoon. One of the features of the occasion was a contest in which Mrs. George Nimocks won the prize. Delicious refreshments were served. Those present were Mesdames Joe Jones, Lloyd Crocker, Carl Josenhaus, H. C. Baird, Ed Weathersbee, J. E. Platt, Allen Gilliard, G. R. Turner, George Nimocks and Miss Lottie Stevenson.

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Rev. Henry Hanson and family, of Harrisburg, Pa., arrived in the city yesterday to attend the marriage of his sister, Miss Bertie Hanson to Mr. W. C. Yarborough in St. Paul's Lutheran church tomorrow at noon. He will preach at this church at both services Sunday. Rev. F. B. Clausen, the pastor, will leave for New York Saturday afternoon and will preach there on the occasion of the anniversary of his former pastorate of a church in that city. He will be out of the city for a week.

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Mrs. J. H. Mallard entertained in a delightful manner at her home on South Front street Wednesday evening in honor of her house guest, Miss Ella Mallard, of Kenansville, and Mr. J. S. Burnett, of Richmond, Va. A buffet luncheon was served and music and dancing added to the enjoyment of the occasion. The home was attractively decorated. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mallard, Mrs. L. H. Burnett, Miss Ella Mallard, Mrs. A. G. Bonitz, the Misses Shepard, Miss Edna Myers, Mr. L. F. Burnett, Mr. Owen Holmes, Mr. Myers, Mr. Mark Turner and Mr. Charles Huffer.

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"FIFI" WILL BE PLAY OF MUCH INTEREST TO ALL.

The announcement of the presentation of "Fifi" at the Academy of Music on January 22nd and 23rd has been received with great interest by old and young. It's a play that the oldest can enjoy and one that will meet with the approval of all.

"Fifi" is tuneful; the funny antics of Fifi's comrades will amuse you and you will enjoy the wonderful dances and choruses. This will be the biggest musical production given in Wilmington in some time as the cast includes over 100 and the orchestra will be entirely adequate to properly support the songs that abound in the play.

The principals and chorus are being drilled each afternoon and night by the director in charge, Mr. Raymond Whitman, who is enthused over the professional skill which the local cast has evidenced in their various parts.

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CLOWE-SELLARS WEDDING CELEBRATED LAST NIGHT

At the home of the bride's parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Sellars, No. 501 South Front street, Miss Ollie Watt Sellars and Mr. John P. Clowe were married last night at 8 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. D. Bundy, pastor of Grace Methodist church. The affair was entirely informal and attended only by a few friends.

The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion with ferns, Southern smilax and flowers. The vows were said before an improvised altar. Miss Edna Davis was maid of honor.

The groom is bookkeeper for the Cape Fear Oil Company and has many friends in the city, where he has lived all his life. Mrs. Clowe is popular and a woman of charming personality with a wide circle of friends. They will live at No. 501 South Front street.

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HONNET-JACKSON WEDDING BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT

One of the brilliant social events of the winter in Wilmington was the marriage of Miss Eloise Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson, Sr., and Mr. George Honnet, in the First Presbtyerian church yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, in the presence of a large congregation.

The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns, Southern smilax, roses and calla lilies, the color scheme being white and green. The soft glow of myriads of candles made the scene one of rare beauty. The same scheme in decorations was carried out at the home of the bride, where a reception was held after the ceremony.

For the processional the "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin was skillfully rendered by the organist, Mr. E. H. Munson, and Mendelssohn's wedding march was used for the recessional.

The dame of honor was Mrs. J. E. Womack, sister of the bride, of Augusta, Ga., and Miss Jennie Jackson, also sister of the bride, was maid of honor.

The first bridesmaid was Miss Virginia Garnett, of Richmond, Va. The other bridesmaids were Misses Lucile Skinner, Gene Harriss, Lydia Post, Arra Perry, Helena Well and Lassie Willson.

The groomsmen were Messrs. Robert King, Adam Empie, Zach Bell, Norman Chambliss, of Rocky Mount, Geo. Jackson, Adair McKoy and Allie Mitchell.

The bride was given away by her father and the best man was Dr. Harry Honnet, brother of the groom.

The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of ivory white charmeuse, trimmed with tulle and pearl, with a bodice draped with Venetian rose point lace and pearl trimming, and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and bride roses.

The dame of honor was gowned in blue charmeuse, trimmed with pink and blue tulle and carried a bouquet of roses. The maid of honor was dressed in pink charmeuse, draped with chiffon and spangled net and carried pink roses.

The bridesmaids entered in couples, one wearing pink messaline chiffon and the other pink, with pink and blue over-draperies. Each bridesmaid carried a Colonial holder with a bouquet of lilies of the valley and pink roses and a fan of ostrich feathers.

Following the ceremony, the bridal party and a few invited friends were entertained at a reception at the home of the bride's parents, No. 310 South Fourth street. Mr. and Mrs. Honnet left on the 6:45 train for the South, where they will spend a month on their honeymoon. Upon their return to the city, they will reside at No. 322 South Front street.

The members of the bridal party were entertained by Dr. Harry Honnet at his home at a buffet supper last evening.

At the home of the bride's parents, there was a brilliant display of presents.

The groom is a well known business man of Wilmington, being associated with his brother in the jewelry business. He has a wide circle of friends and very popular with all who know him. Mrs. Honnet is prominent in the younger social set of the city and has a host of friends.

There were a number of pre-nuptial social events in honor of the approaching wedding. Mr. Benjamin Bell, Sr., uncle of the bride, entertained at his home on South Fourth street Monday evening. Miss Charlotte Fennell entertained at cards in honor of the lady members of the party Tuesday afternoon at her home on Market street and Tuesday evening the bridal party was entertained at the home of the bride's parents. After the rehearsal Wednesday evening they were entertained by Dr. Harry Honnet.

The out-of-town guests were: Miss Virginia Garnett, of Richmond, Va.; Mr. Bartlett Broderick and daughter, Miss Blanche Broderick, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Womack, of Augusta, Ga.; Mr. Benjamin Bell, Jr., of Richmond, Va., and Mr. James Sinclair, of Waycross, Ga.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Col. W. B. Fort, of Pikeville, was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Church, of Southport, were guests at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. R. E. L. Brown and son, Mr. Paul Brown, of Chadbourn, were visitors in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Will X. Coley, of the News and Observer, Raleigh, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Included in the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: J. E. Clayton, Whiteville; H. C. McKeel and F. F. Abbott, Newbern; H. T. Fisher, Fayetteville.

—Mr. Clyde Hawkins, who underwent an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital about 10 days ago, is rapidly improving and will be able to return to his home, No. 424 North Fourth street, today.

BASKETBALL TONIGHT.

Second Games in Friday Night League Series at Brigade.

The second games in the second series of the Friday Night Basketball League at the Boys' Brigade will be played tonight, when the Braves meet the Giants and the Cardinals play the Naps.

Last week's games sprung some surprises when the Braves, champions of the first series, went down in defeat before the Naps and the Giants literally buried their opponents, the Cardinals, under an avalanche of goals, and as a result tonight's games are awaited with more than the usual degree of interest. The games will begin at 8:30 and the public is cordially invited to witness the sport.

TO ORGANIZE ROTARY CLUB

Conference of Wilmington Business Men Held Yesterday Morning—Meet Again Monday Night.

For the purpose of organizing in Wilmington one of the famous Rotary Clubs, a conference of Wilmington business men was held in the parlors of the Hotel Wilmington yesterday morning and a temporary organization perfected. The meeting was attended by Mr. W. E. Morton, a well known insurance man, of Richmond, Va., who is one of the National directors of the organization. It was decided to hold another meeting Monday night, when the matter will be discussed more in detail. Mr. F. A. Lord was elected temporary secretary.

Mr. Morton left last night for Charlotte, where he expects to organize a club. This is a side issue with Mr. Morton, it being, as he terms it, a mission of love.

The Rotary clubs in Richmond, Baltimore, Savannah and Jacksonville, are doing a great deal towards building up the booster spirit. A club was recently organized in Raleigh and it is accomplishing great things there.

The object of the organization is to get better acquainted. Only one representative from each line of business is admitted to membership. When a member drops out, his name is filled by the first name on the waiting list. Weekly meetings are held and all members must be active. If a member fails to attend for three consecutive meetings, his name is dropped. Live and up-to-date is the motto. "He profits most who serves most" is the slogan that has made these organizations vital factors in building up the community spirit.

Mr. Morton is keenly interested in the work of the organizations and is most enthusiastic over the possibilities to be achieved by getting business men together in such an organization.

It is not planned to begin with more than 25 members in Wilmington. Raleigh has 25 members and the membership is limited to this number for the present.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Wilmington Consistory Met in Special Convocation Last Night.

A special convocation of Wilmington Consistory, No. 4, 32nd degree Scottish Rite Masons, was held in the Scottish Rite hall in the Masonic Temple last night for the purpose of installing the officers, elected at the annual meeting in December. Following the impressive ceremony of installation refreshments were served. The officers of the Consistory for the ensuing year are as follows:

Master of Kadosh—S. R. Keyes.
Preceptor—J. H. Mitchell.
Prior—E. L. White.
Chancellor—F. H. McCullough.
Orator—C. C. Loughlin.
Hospitaller—W. B. McKoy.
Secretary—C. B. Newcomb.
Treasurer—E. E. David.
Master of Ceremonies—H. A. Huggins.
Expert—I. W. Cooper.
Assistant Expert—L. C. Robertson.
Captain of the Guards—C. L. Terry.
Tyler—J. W. Stormfeltz.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The Sterchi-Bancroft-Rich Company started claim and delivery proceedings in Superior Court yesterday against E. L. Starkey for a quantity of furniture.

—Claim and delivery proceedings were started in Superior Court yesterday by Mrs. Bertha Zoeller against John Harlee, colored, for the possession of an automobile. C. D. Weeks, Esq., is attorney for the plaintig.

—There will be two interesting games of basketball at the Y. M. C. A. tonight. The National Woolen Mills will play Elvington & Mintz and the Baxters will meet the Jacobi team. Fine sport is promised those who attend.

—H. H. Walters and L. M. Cotchett, two young white boys, of this city, were each taxed with half the costs by the Recorder yesterday on a charge of breaking a street gas light on Second and Orange streets Wednesday night. They were warned by the Recorder to be more careful in the future.

—A carriage in which two young men were returning home from the Honnet-Jackson wedding reception at the home of the bride's parents, No. 310 South Fourth street, was rocked by miscreants at Fourth and Orange streets last night. The matter was reported to the police but no trace of the offending persons was found.

FORMAL AGREEMENT ADOPTED YESTERDAY

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constructing and completing of said road, which is to be built according to the direction and under the supervision of said second party. Said first parties further agree to promptly make payments to said second party as said second party may, from time to time, direct; it being understood that said second party shall have the right to call for the payment of any sum, or sums, of money in advance, should it, in its discretion, deem it necessary and wise to do so, and that such advance payments are to be checked out by the county as expenses are incurred by it in connection with the building of said road.

Said parties further agree to immediately deposit in some bank in Wilmington, the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred ($7.500) Dollars to the credit of the county and subject to its check, said amount being the first advance payment required by the county for the purpose of carrying on said work, and is to be checked out by the county as expenses are incurred by it, incident to the building of said road.

In case convicts are used by the county in the building of said road, said parties of the first part agree to pay one-half the cost of maintaining the camps and one-half the cost of feeding, caring for and guarding said convicts.

Should said second party decide to purchase an automobile truck, or other machinery and implements, for the purpose of building and constructing said road, then, and in that event, said parties of the first part agree to pay to said second party one-half of any depreciation in the value of said automobile truck, other machinery and implements, occasioned by the wear and tear arising from the use of the same in the building of said road.

It is understood and agreed between the parties hereto that L. W. Moore, C. C. Chadbourn and J. A. Orrell, auditor of New Hanover county, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a committee for the purpose of checking the expense and payments made by the county in connection with the building of said road, and for determining any depreciation in the value of the automobile truck and other machinery and implements used in constructing or building sai droad.

It is further understood and agreed that said first parties shall have the right at all times to appoint and designate in their behalf, an inspector to work, at the expense of said first parties, in conjunction with the road-building force used or employed by said second party.

Said parties of the first part further agree that upon the completion of said road and when said party of the second part has graded, at its own expense, the extension from the Carolina Beach Boulevard to Fort Fisher Sea Beach, they will, within six months thereafter, build and construct, at their own expense, a similar road, extending from Carolina Beach Boulevard to Fort Fisher Sea Beach. Said road to have the same width and depth and be of the same construction as the road extending from the Belt Line road to Carolina Beach Boulevard; and, at the election of said second party, the same shall be built and constructed under the supervision of said second party.

Said first parties agree to immediately furnish good and sufficient sureties, satisfactory to said second party, guaranteeing the faithful performance of each and very covenant and agreement by them made, as herein set out.

In testimony where, said parties of the first part and said party of the second part have caused this agreement to be executed in duplicate, this the 11th day of January, 1915.

Injured by Fall.

Mrs. N. T. Pittman was painfully injured yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when, as entering the post office, the door swung back and struck her before she had passed through. She was thrown to the floor and her left shoulder was dislocated. Mrs. Pittman was assisted to her home at No. 210 North Ninth street, and Dr. J. B. Cranmer, who had been called, rendered the necessary treatment.

Read Star Business Locals.

CONCORD CHAPTER, NO. 1, R. A. M.

Will meet in Special Convocation Friday evening, January 15th, at 8 o'clock. Work in Royal Arch Degree.

Refreshments to follow degree work. Companions are urged to attend.

By order of the High Priest.
JAS. H. TAYLOR, JR.,
Secretary.

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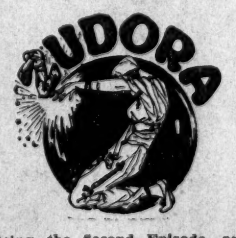

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Following changes in schedule on suburban trolley line beginning Monday, January 18th.
Train leaving Front and Princess Sts. for Wrightsville and Winter Park, at 6:55 A. M., will leave at 6:50 A. M.
Train leaving Wrightsville (westbound) at 7:25 A. M., will leave at 7:20 A. M.
Train leaving Winter Park (westbound) at 7:36 A. M., will leave at 7:31 A. M.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 1, A. F. & A. M.

Emergent Communication this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, sharp, for the purpose of conferring the degree of ENTERED APPRENTICE (Several candidates.) Every member is expected to be present. Visiting brothers are welcomed.

By order of the Master.
A. S. HOLDEN,
Secretary.

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, 'Phone 110. American National Bank. tf
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

LITTLE ACTION IN COTTON

Prices Fluctuated on Yesterday's Session of Market—Closed at a Slight Decline.

New York, Jan. 14.—Cotton was very much less active today, and prices fluctuated within a range of four or five points with the close steady at a net decline of 3 to 5 points.

The market opened steady at a decline of one point to an advance of two points.

The census figures on supply and distribution suggested increased activity on the part of domestic spinners and showed relatively small stocks in the hands of manufacturers at the end of December. This doubtless accounted for the advance on the later months, but the Liverpool cables were disappointing, while there was also some renewed selling here by trade interests and houses with Southern connections. The market eased off in consequence.

Offerings were by no means aggressive, however, and subsequent fluctuations were more or less irregular until near the close, when reports that the South was offering spot cotton more freely inspired rather more local selling. Last prices were practically the lowest of the day.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 8.05; middling gulf 8.30; no sales. Cotton closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	7.85	7.90	7.89	7.86
Mar	8.13	8.15	8.12	8.11
May	8.38	8.35	8.31	8.31
July	8.52	8.53	8.48	8.49
Oct	8.76	8.77	8.71	8.70

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 9,707; exports, 1,293; sales, 4,440; stock, 348,222.

Galveston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 23,268; sales, 942; stock, 538,954.

Mobile—Middling, 7½; receipts, 1,709; sales, 125; stock, 52,836.

Savannah — Middling, 7¾; receipts, 11,221; sales, 2,815; stock, 335,833.

Charleston—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 1,001; stock, 137,828.

Wilmington—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 1,393; stock, 45,185.

Texas City—Receipts, 7,630.

Norfolk—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 3,304; sales, 1,091; stock, 67,273.

Baltimore—Middling, 8.00; receipts, 570; stock, 8,144.

Boston—Middling, 8.05; exports, 27; stock, 8,600.

Philadelphia—Middling, 8.30; stock, 1,974.

New York — Middling, 8.05; exports, 325; stock, 87,911.

Minor Ports—Stock, 158,230.

Total today—Receipts, 59,803; exports, 1,645; stock, 1,788,970.

Total for week—Receipts, 404,576; exports, 202,103.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,491,393; exports, 3,048,612.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 7 15-16; receipts, 23,168; shipments, 23,829; sales, 122; stock, 198,664.

Memphis—Middling, 7⅜; receipts, 3,863; shipments, 5,140; sales, 4,400; stock, 261,661.

Augusta—Middling, 7 13-16@7⅞; receipts, 1,749; shipments, 2,459; sales, 2,657; stock, 150,408.

St. Louis—Middling, 7½; receipts, 7,445; shipments, 6,759; stock, 38,012.

Cincinnati — Middling, 7¼; receipts, 4,077; shipments, 3,671; stock, 9,430.

Little Rock—Receipts, 1,017; shipments, 1,597; stock, 59,450.

Dallas—Middling, 7¼; sales, 8,304.

Total today—Receipts, 41,319; shipments, 43,475; stock, 718,625.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Selling Pressure Bears on Market But Prices Hold Their Own.

New Orleans, Jan. 14.—While considerable selling pressure was put on the cotton market today, prices held their own fairly well and the close was at a net loss of only 4 to 5 points. At the lowest of the day prices were 6 to 7 points down. Exports were small, only 1,645 bales from all United States ports and somewhat less inquiry was reported for spots but there was not enough selling at any time to bring about a pronounced break.

The census report on consumption was a stimulating influence since the falling off during December in this country was put at less than 6,000 bales, compared with the same month in 1914. Bulls also called attention to the figures showing stocks of cotton at mills to be almost 400,000 bales smaller than they were a year ago.

Spot cotton quiet. Sales on the spot 500 bales to arrive 3,040.

Cotton futures closing:

January 7.60; March 7.77; May 8.00; July 8.21; October 8.49.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, January 14. — After showing early weakness on the break in lard, and western selling pressure, cotton seed oil turned strong today and at the close was 4 to 11 points net higher. The late buying was credited to refiners and houses with foreign connections, besides active covering by local shorts. Sales, 17,300 barrels.

The market closed irregular. Spot, 6.28@6.50; January, 6.31@6.40; February, 6.50; March, 6.52@6.54; April, 6.62@6.63; May, 6.78@6.74; June, 6.83@6.85; July, 6.95@6.96; August, 7.05@7.06.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 14.—Spot cotton, easier; good middling, 5.15; middling, 4.81; low middling, 4.34.

Sales, 8,000. Speculation and export, 500. Receipts, 30,508. Futures, steady. May-June, 4.62½; July-August, 4.68½; October-November, 4.78½; January-February, 4.83.

DRY GOODS MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 14.—Canton flannels for Fall were today priced from 1½ cents to 2¼ cents a yard below last year. Large additional orders for uniform cloths for war purposes were received by men's wear mills.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Jan. 14. — Raw sugar, easier; molasses sugar, 3.27; centrifugal, 4.04; refined, steady.

Butter—Weak.

Cheese—Firm; unchanged.

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WHEAT HIGHEST IN YEARS

Demand for Export Trade Forces the Prices to Practically Ten Cents Above Recent High Mark.

Chicago, Jan. 14—Wheat jumped today to virtually 10 cents a bushel higher than last Monday's high record. At the summit the May option brought $1.43⅝, a price not equalled before in years. The chief reason was that exporters wanted more wheat than they could buy in American markets. Feeling was much more settled at the close, which varied from the same as last night to 2@2½ a bushel up. Corn finished unchanged to 1-16 up, oats at a gain of ¼@⅝, and provisions down 5@12.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.42¾; July, 1.25⅝.
Corn—May, 74⅞; July, 75¾.
Oats—May, 55½; July, 53⅛.
Pork—January, 18.10; May, 18.67.
Lard—January, 10.40; May, 10.70.
Ribs—January, 9.77; May, 10.10.
Cash grain:
Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.40½@1.43⅝; No. 2, hard, 1.40½@1.43⅝.
Corn—No. 2, yellow, 70@71.
Oats—Standard, 53@53½.

MARINE.

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Str. Henry Williams, Huggins, Georgetown, Baltimore-Georgetown Steamship Co.

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MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

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Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Jinke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 14.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, 44c.

ROSIN — Steady. Large, $3.05; small, $2.95.

TAR — Firm, $1.80 per barrel; per gallon, 8c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.00 per barrel for soft; $3.00 per barrel for virgin; $2.00 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 44½c; rosin, firm, $3.75; tar, firm, $2.50-10; crude turpentine, $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	3
Tar	79
Crude Turpentine	41

Receipts same day last year, spirits turpentine, 2 casks; rosin, 22 barrels; tar, 120 barrels; crude turpentine, 42 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at 7½c.; last year, nominal.

Receipts, 1,139 bales; same day last year, 973 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 101,839 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 324,199 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Jan. 14.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,121 bales cotton; 25 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—8 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—41 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Thelma—5 bales cotton.

Str. Atlantic City—5 bales cotton.

Str. Geo. Slover—3 barrels rosin; 54 barrels tar.

Total—1,139 bales cotton; 3 barrels rosin; 79 barrels tar; 41 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 8.)

CORN—$2.70 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 80@90c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 10@12 cents.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 23c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. lb.; very dull.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15@16 2-3 cents per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—28@29c. per doz.; very dull.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 8.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, steady; new crop, fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts — Weaker. New crop Jumboes, 65c.; fancy, hand picked, 60c.; No. 1, machine picked, 50c. per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 14. — Mercantile paper, 3¾@4. Sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.8125; for cables, 4.8415; for demand, 4.8365. Bar silver, 49⅛. Mexicon dollars, 37½. Government bonds, steady. Railroad bonds, firm. Time loans, easy; sixty days, 3; ninety days, 3¼@3½; six months, 3¼. Call money, firm, 2¼.

COTTON MEN GO TO SWEDEN.

Latham Company Sends Representatives There to Find Market.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 14. —Edward Latham and M. Schwab, who are to represent the J. E. Latham Cotton Company in Gottenberg, Sweden, have arrived in Copenhagen, according to a cablegram received last night by Mr. J. E. Latham. They were 11 days on the way from New York. They will endeavor to build up a trade with the countries of Northern Europe for their company.

Have you joined the 1915 Savings Club at the American National Bank? (Advertisement) tf

ELEVENTH HOUR ACTIVITY

Tone of Stock Market Varied From Unsettled to Firm With Closing Hour Very Active.

New York, Jan. 14.—The tone of today's stock market ranged from irregular to firm, with a total output of moderate proportions. Representative shares rose and fell alternately, the only notable exceptions being Baltimore and Ohio common and preferred and New York Central, which rose from 1 to 3 points.

Coppers, American Smelting and a few less active specialties such as American Tobacco and United States Rubber, advanced a point or more on small dealings and motor stocks were in evidence at higher prices. Declines again embraced the Soo issues, as well as Colorado Fuel and International Harvester Corporation, preferred. The only real activity of the session occurred in the final hour, at which time the directors of the Baltimore and Ohio road were deliberating on the cotton dividend. Fears of a drastic cut caused a sudden slump in that stock as well as the balance of the speculative list. When just before the close it became known that the semi-annual dividend had been reduced only one-half of one per cent. to 2 1-2 per cent., the entire market recovered. Realising for profits caused some recessions at the end, but the close was steady.

Other news of the day included a new high price for May wheat, with an unusually urgent export demand and the completion of the financing attending the St. Paul bond issue and the new Russian loan. Monetary conditions showed a preponderance of cash over demand with resultant greater ease in three and four months' loans. Call money again went to its lowest rate of several months and mercantile paper of the highest class was accepted by financial institutions at rates more advantageous to borrowers.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	55
American Agricultural	48⅝
American Can	29¼
American Car and Foundry	47
American Cotton Oil	43¾
American Smelting	60¼
American Snuff	B.142
American Sugar	106⅞
American Tel and Tel	118¼
American Tobacco	223
Atchison	94¾
Atlantic Coast Line	B. 99⅞
Baltimore and Ohio	68⅞
Canadian Pacific	159⅝
Central Leather	35¼
Chesapeake and Ohio	42¼
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	88⅛
Erie	21⅜
General Electric	143¾
Great Northern, pfd	114
Illinois Central	B.106
Interborough-Met., pfd	offered. 50
Kansas City Southern	22
Lehigh Valley	138⅛
Louisville and Nashville	115⅝
Liggett and Myers	B.205
Lorillard Co	B.168
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	9
Missouri Pacific	6¾
Mexican Petroleum	51
New York Central	88½
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	54½
Norfolk and Western	101½
Northern Pacific	102
Pennsylvania	105½
Reading	147⅜
Rep. Iron and Steel	20½
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	76
Rock Island Co	⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	13⅜
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	2¾
Seaboard Air Line	12⅛
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	38
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	offered. 26
Southern Pacific	85½
Southern Railway	15
Southern Railway, pfd	58
Tennessee Copper	31⅜
Texas Co	133½
Texas and Pacific	B. 11
Union Pacific	118⅞
United States Steel	51¼
United States Steel, pfd	107⅞
Utah Copper	51¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	18
Western Union	60

PENDER COURT NEXT WEEK

Hand Case for Trial—Teachers Meeting—Saw Mill Resumes Operation.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Burgaw, N. C., Jan. 14.—Pender county superior court will convene next Monday with Judge H. W. Whedbee presiding. The case against Mrs. Hand, charged with killing her brother, George P. Jordan, last year will probably be tried at this term and will probably consume more time than any other case on docket. With the record Judge Whedbee has made in other counties in dispatching business, it is expected that he will do a good deal of work here, and help to clear the docket.

The regular monthly meeting of the teachers of Pender county was held here Saturday, with a very full attendance. The next and last meeting for this year will be held in February.

What came near being a fatal accident befell young John Brothers Wednesday, when he was struck by the sweep of a timber wagon in the woods. Dr. A. J. Hawes attended him and found that no bones were broken, and it is thought that he will recover.

Mr. H. Garrett Smith's saw mill resumed operation the first of the year and is now running on full time.

Rev. W. M. Shaw preached in the Presbyterian church here Sunday evening in place of Rev. P. L. Clark, who is visiting his father's family in Virginia.

A. K. Powers, Esq., formerly of Burgaw but at present located at Sanford, Fla., where he is practicing law, was here last week and gives a glowing account of things in that section. He says they do not feel the effects of the war down there.

A little child of Mr. J. D. Saunders, of Six Forks, was quite badly burned Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Lucas is attending the child, and, while it is in a serious condition it is hoped it will recover.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Jan. 14. — Turpentine, 44½; sales, 121; receipts, 92; shipments, 17; stock, 35,821.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 642; receipts, 579; shipments, 351; stock, 145,805. Quote: A, B, 3.20; C, D, E, 3.30; F, G, H, 3.30@3.32½; I, 3.35; K, 3.35; M, 4.40; N, 5.30; W G, 5.70; W W, 5.80.

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, Phone 110. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 15, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 44 degrees; at 8 P. M. 53 degrees; maximum 58 degrees; minimum 42 degrees; mean 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.75 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 36.8 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair Friday, except local rains in extreme west; Saturday fair.

The Port Calendar, Jan. 15, 1915.

Sun rises	7:18 A. M.
Sun sets	5:26 P. M.
Day's length	10 hrs. 8 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	9:42	9:50	4:28	5:04
Southport	7:38	7:55	1:14	2:00
Masonboro Inlet	7:27	7:44	12:54	1:40

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 14, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	66	24	.0
Asheville	cldy	58	30	.0
Atlanta	clear	60	38	.0
Augusta	clear	56	38	.0
Birmingh.	cldy	64	40	.0
Boston	clear	34	22	.0
Charleston	cldy	54	44	.0
Charlotte	clear	58	42	.0
Chicago	clear	44	34	.0
Galveston	clear	64	58	.0
Jacksonv	cldy	56	40	.0
Memphis	clear	60	44	.0
Mobile	cldy	60	42	.0
Montgom'y pt	cldy	62	38	.0
New Orl.	cldy	70	44	.0
New York	cldy	40	28	.0
Oklahoma	clear	60	30	.0
Palestine	clear	68	48	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	46	30	.0
Raleigh	clear	58	38	.0
Savannah	clear	54	46	.0
Shreveport	clear	68	50	.0
St. Louis	clear	52	38	.0
Washing'n	clear	48	36	.0

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, January 14. — Hogs, lower. Bulk, 6.60@6.80; light, 6.50@6.85; mixed, 6.55@6.85; heavy, 6.50@6.85; rough, 6.50@6.60; pigs, 5.25@6.80.

Cattle—Firm. Native steers, 5.65@9.50; western, 4.85@7.50. Cows and heifers, 3.25@8.10; calves, 7.50@10.50.

Sheep — Weak. Sheep, 5.70@6.40; yearlings, 6.70@7.50; lambs, 6.75@8.50.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Jesse Wilder, deceased, late of the County of New Hanover, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Wilmington, N. C., on or before the 31st day of December, A. D. 1915, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 31st day of December, A. D. 1914.

C. D. MAFFITT,
Administrator of Jesse Wilder, deceased.
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF LANDS.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Wilmington Door and Lumber Company to C. N. Evans, President, Trustee, dated March 18th, 1912, and recorded in Book 68, page 107, in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured, the undersigned will, on Monday, the 15th day of February, 1915, at 12 o'clock M., at the court house door, in New Hanover county, expose to sale for cash, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described tracts or parcels of land:

First Tract.

Beginning at a point in the western line of Front street 132 feet North of the northern line of Ann street, and running thence northwardly along said western line of Front street 66 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with Ann street to the channel or deep water said channel or deep water of the Cape Fear River southwardly and parallel with Front street 66 feet to the northern line of Lot No. 5, in Block 125, of said city; thence eastwardly and parallel with Ann street to the western line of Front street, the point of beginning. The same being that tract or parcel of land conveyed by one A. M. Prince to Brunswick Wood and Coal Company by deed bearing date January the 7th, 1911, and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, and conveyed by Brunswick Wood and Coal Company to Wilmington Door and Lumber Company, as will appear by reference to the Public Records of New Hanover County.

Second Tract.

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Meares street 183 feet East of the eastern line of Fourth street, and running thence along said line of Meares street 33 feet in an easterly direction; thence North and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the old Coalfield (Francis Morris) line; thence along said line in a westwardly direction 33 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the northern line of Meares street, the point of beginning. The same being part of Lots 5 and 6, in Block 20, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington.

Third Tract.

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Cape Fear Township, on the East side, in the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a cypress, on the West side of Cat Fish Creek, a small distance above an old field; thence with the lower line or a tract formerly owned by Samuel Ashe, west 220 poles to a cypress on said Cat Fish Creek, near its head; thence same course 103 poles to the North West River; thence down the River so as to measure in a due South line 95 poles; thence from said River due East 336 poles to Cat Fish Creek; thence up said Creek 35 poles; thence due East 75 poles to a stake on the Sand Hill; thence North 12 degrees West 62 poles; thence West 80 poles to Cat Fish Creek, opposite the Fish Station, containing by estimation 222½ acres, of which twenty-five acres is high land.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on the South side of Cat Fish Creek, in the upper part of the bend, beginning at a cypress on the Creek between the line of the land which formerly belonged to Samuel Ashe and Thos. C. Reston; thence with their line East 84 poles to the corner of said Ashe's line, or rather his old center ditch; thence with said Center Ditch North 2 poles; thence East 30 poles to the corner by the side of the Creek; thence West to the Creek, and thence up the Creek to the beginning, containing 9½ acres.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on said North West River, and Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the River, on the lower corner of the tract on said Creek first above described, thence East 60 poles; thence South 129 poles to the River; thence up the River to the beginning, containing 60 acres of Tide Swamp.

Also eight acres of Sand Hill situate in said County of New Hanover, on Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the Creek at what was formerly known as the Reston lower corner; thence down the creek 20 poles; thence East and back adjoining the western line for its compliment. The last mentioned Four tracts of land, described under "Third Tract" herein, being the same lands conveyed by E. P. H. Strunck and wife to Brunswick Wood & Coal Company by deed bearing date June 12, 1909, and duly recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, in Book 58, page 458, et seq., and reference is hereby made to said deed for the description therein contained, and the same being conveyed by the Brunswick Wood & Coal Company to the Wilmington Door & Lumber Company, by proper deed of conveyance, as the Public Records of New Hanover County will show.

Dated and posted this 13th day of January, 1915.

C. N. EVANS, President,
Trustee.

By Atlantic Trust and Banking Company, Assignee.
ROBERT RUARK, Attorney.
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Lv. Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 12, 1914.

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EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	WESTBOUND: Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	WESTBOUND: Leave for for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
.....	.....	.....	b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a8:04 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	e1:45 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	c2:36 P. M.	c2:25 P. M.	.....
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3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	7:41 P. M.	7:30 P. M.	7:20 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:16 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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(Daily, except Sundays.)

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 23, 1914. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 5:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman sleeping cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 84. ‖ 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 85. ‖ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 5:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 9:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 2:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ‖ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60. ‖10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ‖ Daily except Sunday. ‡ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.

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BRIEF REPLY MADE TO BRITISH NOTE

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AWAITS THE DETAILS

Ambassador Page Delivers Answer to British Foreign Office at London. Detailed Answer Expected from England.

Washington, Jan. 14.—In a note delivered today by Ambassador Page at London, Secretary Bryan acknowledged receipt of Great Britain's preliminary reply to the American protest against British interference with neutral commerce. He expressed appreciation of the friendly spirit in which the protest has been received, and noted with satisfaction that principles of international law set forth in it had been accepted.

Further comment, Mr. Bryan said, would be immature at this time in view of the intention of the British government to reply in detail. Following is a paraphrase of the Secretary's note:

Appreciates Spirit.

"The friendly spirit in which the British government received the American note of December 28th, is appreciated. No doubt is entertained by us that the cordial relations between the governments will continue pending diplomatic discussion. This government notes with satisfaction that the principles of the international law as set forth in the American note are accepted by his majesty's government. As the original note is being examined with care by the British government with a view to replying further and in detail, it would seem premature for me to make further answer at this time.

"It is the intention of this government to consider in connection with the further reply of the British government the points raised by Sir Edward Grey, in connection with the preliminary answer."

JUDGE WHEDBEE HOLDS COURT.

Short Session Adjourned—Will Hold Next Week's Court in Pitt.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Jan. 14.—Owing to the sickness of Judge Connor, Governor Craig commissioned Judge Whedbee to hold this term of Pitt superior court. He convened court Monday morning but had a very short session as it was not expected there would be any court and all jurors had been notified not to attend. The principle business was signing orders and hearing motions, and as the lawyers were not prepared for much of this, he adjourned to Thursday, when he will take up business again.

Next week is for criminal cases. Judge Whedbee has to go to Burgaw to hold Pender court, but expects to finish up there in a day or two and be back here Wednesday. He will then take up the jail cases and thinks he can clear the docket of most of the cases by Saturday night. There are 14 prisoners in jail and will probably be more by that time. There are two capital cases on the docket.

W. H. BRITT MUCH WANTED.

Charged With Crime in North Carolina and Florida—Arrested.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 14.—According to the telegrams that are coming to Chief of Police Wiggs, it appears that W. H. Britt, arrested in Greensboro Sunday at the request of the Wilson authorities, is a much wanted man. Britt is wanted, not only at North Carolina points, but a telegram from Sheriff J. F. Gordon, of Orlando, Fla., states that he has several warrants against Britt and that they are all for felonies. Sheriff Rowe replied that Britt would have to remain here.

Britt is in jail awaiting a trial. He will face serious charges in this county. It is alleged that he has forged a number of notes, in every instance signed by responsible Wilson county farmers and that he sold the notes to Mr. James H. Newsome, of Lucama. Mr. Newsome is out more than $v,000. So far eleven fraudulent notes, each for $2[illegible], have been reported. Others for lesser amounts have been heard of and the authorities think there are others.

MUCH DEPENDS ON STEAMER MUDDLE

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involved in the transfer of the Dacia to the American flag and the use of the steamer to carry cotton to Germany.

"It is of importance to the Allies," the Post says, "that the Dacia should be stopped, but here we enter upon a question of law complicated by the declaration of London."

The Post says the whole question is "thorny and difficult, the more so as it has certainly been contrived by Germany to embroil Great Britain with the United States."

The Post concludes: "A simple way out of the whole difficulty is to denounce the declaration and declare all the enemy's goods liable to capture. As the declaration has been repeatedly violated by the Germans in the present war, notably in the case of the ships sunk by the German cruiser Emden, there could be no grievance to neutral nations in such a course."

FELT IN SWITZERLAND

Avalanches in Alps Result From Earth Quiver—Villages Isolated.

Geneva, Switz., Jan. 14 (via Paris).—Earthquake shocks in the Mount Blanco range and the Swiss and Italian Alps along the frontier yesterday morning caused huge avalanches which isolated Alpine villages and destroyed forests.

From five to seven feet of snow fell on the Bernina, Splugen and St. Gotthard passes. The snow is three feet deep in the Engadine.

Shocks also were experienced in the Piedmont towns and villages, but the damage there can not be learned as telegraph wires are down. Slighter shocks were felt even in the Tyrolese Alps.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

FARMERS UNION URGES RURAL CREDIT SYSTEM

Land Segregation and Repeal of Crop Lien Law.

Also a Measure for Government of Co-Operative Enterprises—State Council Decides to Center on Four Issues.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—The State council of the North Carolina Farmers' Union decided today to center the attention of the General Assembly, so far as the Union is concerned, upon four big issues: Rural credit system; land segregation, or permitting white communities to limit their land sales to white people; repeal of the crop lien law, and a measure for the government of co-operative enterprises.

They will want 12 months time for the application of the crop lien law change.

Participating in the conference today were Dr. H. Q. Alexander, Dr. J. M. Templeton, E. C. Faires, J. Z. Green, W. B. Gibson, Clarence Poe, C. C. Wright and R. W. H. Stone.

Resolutions were adopted urging the use of the Torrens system of land titles and setting out that, whereas, some lawyers are reported to be advising farmers that such titles cost $100, the fact is, according to Attorney General Bickett, that the titles should not cost over $25, and asking that farmers patronize lawyers friendly to the Torrens system.

SECRETARY BRYAN CHARGED WITH LENDING

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so-called money trust?" asked Commissioner Phelan.

"He did," replied the witness.

The Jarvis interests were piqued, he said, because the National City Bank had handled a $1,500,000 loan for the government in which Michelana acted as its agent.

Vick Again on Stand.

Vick testified today that Secretary Bryan at the recommendation of Boas Long, until lately head of the Latin American department, "and a friend of J. G. Gray, who was a great friend of the Banco Nacional crowd", had appointed Charles M. Johnston of Indianapolis as financial expert for the republic.

"Bryan told me that Johnston would get $8,000 a year and expenses," said the witness. "Johnston was a flour salesman in Mexico and as far as I know has never had any experience that would qualify him for the job. He's been down there six months and hasn't done a thing yet. I was instructed to pay his salary, but I refused, because it would have been illegal under the terms of our convention with the republic. Johnston is supposed to be a sort of comptroller, a new office picked out of the skies."

AMERICAN AID IS ASKED

Red Cross Society Requests Aid for Earthquake Sufferers.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The American Red Cross tonight issued an appeal for funds to aid those rendered destitute by the earthquake in Italy. The organization announced it would be glad to transmit relief contributions to the Italian Red Cross. The appeal said:

"Press dispatches indicate that another dreadful calamity has visited Italy, occasioned by an earthquake which is reported to have destroyed many thousands of lives and to have devastated a large city. The number rendered homeless by the Messina earthquake in 1908 was upwards of 50,000 and the American public responded to relief by raising, through the American Red Cross the magnificent sum of approximately $1,000,000 to assist those stricken people.

"Now there is another opportunity for the charitable people of the Untied State whose population includes many hundreds of thousands of Itailans to help provide relief for those rendered homeless and destitute by this latest catastrophe at Avezzano, Caserta and other places in the earthquake region.

"The American Red Cross will be gled to forward funds to the Italian Red Cross for those needing aid in the distressed territory."

COMMITTEE TO GO LATER

Senator Simmons Requested That They Postpone Trip to Washington.

At the request of Senator Simmons in a personal letter to Mr. J. Allan Taylor, chairman of a committee appointed to go to Washington for the purpose of discussing plans for beginning work on the new Customs house building, the committee did not go to Washington yesterday as had been planned.

Senator Simmons has been out of Washington for the past few days, being at his home at Newbern. He stated in his letter that he would take up the matter immediately after his arrival in Washington.

The committee is now most concerned with tearing down the old building, since this could be started immediately and would furnish work for a large number of men.

CEMENT PRODUCTS COMPANY.

New Wilmington Concern That Will Manufacture Septic Tanks.

The Cement Products Company is the name of a new Wilmington concern that will manufacture septic tanks and sanitary privies. These are intended for suburban buildings of all kinds and are built to provide a sewage disposal plant at small cost. Mr. J. F. Harris, Jr., is general manager of the company, and Mr. H. DeW. Rapalje is sales engineer. A number of Wilmington business men are interested in the concern.

The tanks are of two kinds, one being the septic tank outfit for use where the building is equipped with water works and plumbing, and the other being the sanitary privy outfit, for buildings without waterworks.

Greenville, N. C., Jan. 14.—Greenville had a fine fire record last year. Out of risks aggregating near $150,000 the actual loss paid for was $3,325. This is a good city for the insurance companies.

In 1914 there were 98 building permits issued, the amount for them being in round numbers $400,000. The permits for 1913 ran much ahead of this number, and also in amounts.

There were less than 20 fire alarms in 1914, and damage occurred in comparatively few instances, not more than six or seven.

CHAMBER TO APPOINT CHARTER COMMITTEE

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the General Assembly of 1913 passed a resolution directing the Corporation Commission with the assistance of the Attorney General to investigate the dismemberment of this railroad, and if the facts in the opinion of the Attorney General warranted Federal action, for him to certify the same to the proper Federal authority. The report of Attorney General Bickett to the Attorney General at Washington has just been made public, and fulfills the expectation of this Chamber in recommending suit to annul the sale and dismemberment of the road.

"Resolved, That we strongly commend the findings of the Attorney General and his action in recommending suit by the Federal government.

"Resolved further, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Senators and Representatives from this State with the request that they use their efforts to procure prompt action by the Department of Justice."

Urge Repeal of Justice Bill.

The repeal of section nine of the Justice Freight Rate bill was urged by Mr. J. Allan Taylor in a resolution which was adopted after being seconded by Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., reading as follows:

"This Chamber contemplates with no small hesitation the fact that the Justice Freight Rate bill has proved open to all the indictments made against it, and that now by common consent the commercial interests of the State demand the repeal of the objectionable features. The representatives of this Chamber pointed out and persistently urged that Section nine of the bill, known as the Long and Short Haul Clause, was revolutionary in principle and would prove so in practice, and was the work of a theorist in blind disregard of transportation principles and without advantage to any interest.

"In view of the injustice of the bill as shown by its operation for several months, this Chamber urges the General Assembly to repeal Section nine and make any other amendments which experience has shown to be desirable and necessary

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator from this district and Representative from this county with request that they take prompt action to carry it into effect."

In connection with another matter Mr. Taylor called attention to the fact that Wilmington was the only city in the State that made a fight on the original passage of the bill and that the short roads which are now urging the repeal of the long and short haul clause did not have a single representative at Raleigh during the last Legislature.

Want Corporations to Help.

The following resolution was prepared by the Street and Wharves Committee at a meeting yesterday morning and after being read by the secretary was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, The Streets and Wharves Committee, of the Chamber of Commerce, have information that the Atlantic Coast Line proposes to replace their present rail on Water street, from Dock street north with heavy rail, and that the Tidewater Power Co., propose to do the same thing with the track north of Fourth street, from the railroad bridge to Nixon street, and we are further advised that the City of Wilmington is ready to proceed at once with the work of placing blocks and brick after the work is completed and in view of the number of men in Wilmington now unemployed and in urgent need of work, be it therefore

"Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce endorse this proposed work and respectfully request the Atlantic Coast Line and Tidewater Power Co., to proceed immediately with whatever work they intend to do on these streets, so that the city can do their part of this work, thereby giving work to the unemployed, which is so urgently needed at the present time. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Atlantic Coast Line, Tidewater Power Co., and the City Council."

"Resolved, further, That the Streets and Wharves Committee use every effort to see that this work is done as quickly as possible, in view of the great need of workmen and the cheapness with which it can be done at the present time.

Government Ginning Reports.

Mr. J. Allan Taylor, chairman of the Traffic Committee, called attention to the fact that the government estimates of the cotton crop were obviously too high and introduced the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. C. A. Price and adopted by the Chamber:

"There is good ground for the opinion that the Bureau of Statistics has over-estimated the cotton crop, due to the fact that the promise of a late crop has not materialized owing to protracted wet and cold weather—which has not only reduced the yield but greatly impaired the grade—and it is of the first importance that the actual facts be made officially known at the earliest possible moment.

"It is customary for the Bureau to make no ginning report after January until March, which latter date is the final report for the crop year; and in view of the fact that the emergency of the situation has caused cotton to be ginned very rapidly, while unfavorable weather has undoubtedly resulted in the abandonment of a considerable portion of the crop, it is obviously desirable that there should be two ginning reports between February and March in order to disclose the true facts as to the volume of the crop.

"Resolved, That the subject be brought to the attention of the proper authorities, and that a copy of this action be certified to the Senators from this State with request that they take the matter up promptly and actively with the Department of Agriculture."

Drainage Legislation.

The following resolution was introduced at the instance of the Agricultural and Immigration Committee and unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, There is now pending before the Congress of the United States a bill known as Senate Bill No. 6827 which relates to government aid and co-operation in the financing on favorable terms of drainage works undertaken under the laws of the several states, and

"Whereas, The State of North Carolina has a drainage law under which such districts are being formed, and

"Whereas, The reclamation of wet lands in this State by the formation of drainage districts is a work in which the people of the State are vitally interested, and

"Whereas, the proposed bill if enacted into law will provide a means whereby, in many cases, the work of erecting drainage works may be financed on a 4 per cent basis and be greatly to the advantage of the people of North Carolina, now, be it

"Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington, North Carolina, endorse the proposed bill as to Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, which relate to government aid in the establishment of drainage districts in the several states; and that the secretary be instructed to furnish a copy of this resolution to the Senators and Representatives from North Carolina and to write to each of them a letter urging their active support toward the enactment into law of Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Senate Bill No. 6827, entitled a bill 'Relating to the Reclamation of Arid- Semi-Arid, Swamp, and Overflow Lands Through District Organizations, and Authorizing Government Aid Therefor'."

In Memoriam.

The following resolution in memory of the late Capt. Jesse Wilder was adopted by a rising vote:

"Whereas, Death has again visited the Chamber and removed from our midst one of our esteemed and most respected members, Mr. Jesse Wilder, the business community has lost a good citizen and a man of sterling worth and character, pleasant and social in his intercourse with his fellows and friends, by whom he will indeed be missed.

"He served the Chamber as chairman of the Naval Stores committee for a number of years and the organization has lost a valuable and useful member. His valiant service of four years in the Civil War is pleasantly recalled by his comrades and friends.

"Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Chamber express to his relatives and friends deep regret at his loss and tender to them our most sincere sympathy in their bereavement. That a page in our minute books be inscribed to his memory and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his relatives.

"J. L. METTS,
"J. W. BROOKS,
"F. A. THOMPSON,
"Committee."

The following resolution was read by Mr. P. Pearsall and adopted by the Chamber by a rising vote:

"It is one of the regretable aspects of our lives that when a respected citizen or loved one passes away we seemingly rush on with the tide of our affairs to all outward appearances, often times forgetful of the one who has preceded us to the Great Beyond. We say seemingly, and so it really is oftener than is true for no one can read the thoughts of another nor how much of sentiment there may be unexpressed and often times a heartache that gives out no evidence.

"Since our last meeting we have to lament the death of a useful and highly honored member of this body, the late G. J. Boney, who passed away January 6th. His interest in the welfare of Wilmington and all of its organizations for usefulness is well known to you all. The fact that he had lived about the time allotted to man, according to Holy Writ, reconciles us the more to his passing, or as far as our poor philosophy in such cases will carry us.

"A sketch of Mr. Boney's life and connection with the business affairs of Wilmington was given more in detail in a recent issue of The Morning Star than this paper is intended to cover But in this connection it is proper to state that he came to Wilmington in 1873. He has been actively engaged in business in Wilmington since, as long as his health permitted. It is undoubtedly true that to him is due the credit of the only successful operation of a grain mill in Wilmington, his partner being entirely engaged in other matters, having no direct management of this industry, which has added largely to Wilmington's commercial prominence.

"In his more vigorous days he was for many years interested in our city's politics especially, and in the politics of the party to which he belonged, not, we think, for any love of politics, certainly not for any gain therefrom, but from a desire to further our best interests through that channel so often neglected by many of our people.

"He was of a kindly disposition, frank and earnest and determined in what he believed to be right. He was equally opposed to that which was not good and was always ready to contribute to any effort to put down evil and to promote that which was pure and just.

"We have reason to believe that his private charities extended much further often times than those nearest to him were aware of. Indeed, it is true that the good that lives after this man will be remembered and his frailties soon forgotten. Therefore, we think it fitting that this Chamber should thus put on record some evidence of its appreciation of his presence among us for so long, and an acknowledgment of his usefulness as a business man and as a citizen.

"P. PEARSALL,
"D. L. GORE,
"B. F. HALL,
"C. C. COVINGTON,
"Committee."

OYSTER ROAST YESTERDAY

Enjoyable Affair Given by Officers and Men of Street Department.

Councilman B. A. Merritt, in charge of the department of streets and wharves, Mr. John C. McAllister, superintendent of streets, and the regular members of the street forces were the hosts to a number of city and county officials and employes and other friends at enjoyable oyster roast at the city stables yesterday afternoon.

Present were the Mayor and all members of City Council, many of the officials and employes of the other municipal departments; Sheriff S. P. Cowan and a number of other invited guests, about 30 in all, in addition to the street forces.

Steamed oysters, sandwiches and other refreshments were served, and during the course of the feast Mayor Moore and the members of Council made short talks, in which they were unanimous in their praise of the street department and the splendid work that the forces have accomplished under the guidance of Councilman Merritt and Superintendent McAllister.

Others who made talks were Sheriff Cowan, Superintendent McAllister ,Mr. Percy Wells, Mr. J. O. Brown and a number of the other guests.

All voted the occasion one of unalloyed pleasure.

COUNCIL MEETS TODAY

Will Discuss Proposed Street Commission.

City Council will meet this morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of discussing with a committee of citizens the suggestion made to the body at a meeting a few days ago that a Street Commission be appointed to have charge of the expenditures of the amount of the proposed bond money on the improvement of streets and sidewalks as a means of furnishing employment for those out of work here.

The meeting was to have been held last night, but was postponed until this morning on account of the fact that several members could not be present.

It has been suggested that the proposed commission be composed of Councilman B. A. Merritt, chairman; Messrs. J. Allan Taylor, H. C. McQueen, M. J. Corbett and Sam Bear, Jr.

Over 100 Extra Men.

Mr. John C. McAllister, superintendent of streets, stated last evening that the street department now has employed, in addition to the regular force, 109 extra men, added since Council authorized an appropriation of $5,000 a month for not more than three months, in street improvements, as a means of providing employment for those out of work.

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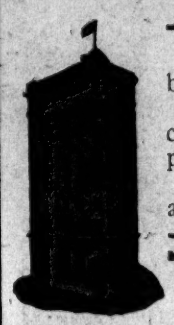

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